

Danger! Dungeons and Dragons

Autumn 2023-24

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have had the most wonderful first week teaching your children and getting them back into routine. They have been fantastic and settled in brilliantly. Swords at the ready, as Year Two charge into our new topic all about Castles!

English

The children will be having daily phonics lessons prior to English lessons. In English, we will be learning how to write compound sentences using 'and', and practising using adjectives to describe the wonderful Zog. We will explore narratives and have a go at writing our story, taking inspiration from our new exciting text 'The Dragon and the Nibblesome Knight'. The children will write instructions and they will write a re-count describing all the amazing things we will learn on our visit to Lincoln Castle.

Maths

The children will be re-capping some Year 1 objectives, including place value, before exploring numbers to 100. They will also learn how to 'roll their numbers' by counting in 2's, 3's, 5's and 10's. We will then move onto our addition and subtraction unit, including practising our number bonds to 20 and then 100!

Our Christian values this term are 'Respect and Reverence', linked with 'Creation and Creativity'. In term 2, our value is 'Peace', linked with 'Friendship and Fellowship'.

In RE, we will be learning about Islam and what the Qur'an says about how Muslims should treat others and how to live their lives according to the 5 pillars.

In History, the children will learn about why and how the Normans first built castles in England. They will research the types of people who lived in castles and what life would have been like for them. We will analyse different sources and think about what we can learn from these. When we visit Lincoln Castle, we will learn about why it is important to our local area. We will also learn a little bit about Raymond Mays, a famous racing car driver from Bourne, and think about how transport has changed over time.



P.E.

The children will have P.E. twice a week. Please ensure both indoor and outdoor P.E. kits are in on a Monday and they will be sent home on a Friday. P.E. will usually be on a Thursday and a Friday but these days could differ with last minute timetable changes.

Remember our door is always open to discuss any small worries you may have.

Reading and Homework

We encourage the children to read as much as possible both in school and at home. We use the Pawsome Gang Reading Dogs to discuss different reading skills. They should try to read at least 3 times a week (it doesn't have to be a whole book each time!) and can choose either their school book or a book that interests them at home. Please record their reading with you in the reading diary.

Our usual palette of choice homework will be sent out with a range of cross curricular activities to choose from.

Weather

Please ensure all coats, gloves, hats and scarves are named as the weather gets colder this term!