



## CORBY PRIMARY ACADEMY



### Year 3 Newsletter – Spring 1

#### Welcome

Welcome back! We hope you have had a wonderful Christmas and enjoyed your time with your family. We are looking forward to another term of learning and fun!

#### Reading

We will continue with whole class reading lessons four times a week. These will include work on reading fluency, vocabulary and comprehension. The adults in class will aim to hear all children read at least once per week. It is important that your children bring their reading book and diary to school each day. We will also have time each day to read for pleasure as a class.



#### Writing

In English lessons, we will continue to focus on using the correct grammar and punctuation when writing sentences. We will look at "The Boy Who Grew Dragons" and will write an instructional text about how to look after a pet. We will then use the text "Antarctica: A Continent of Wonder" as the basis for a non-chronological report. Please continue to practise spellings each week. Remember to use Spelling Frame to be in with a chance of being one of the monthly champions and being given a certificate in a Dojo assembly!



#### Maths

This term, we will be continuing with multiplication and division. After this, children will be learning to measure length and perimeter. We will be measuring in centimetres, millimetres, and metres. Children will learn to calculate the perimeter of shapes and use the fact that 1m is equivalent to 100cm. They will use this to convert multiples of 100cm into metres and metres into multiples of 100cm. In addition to this, children will be comparing and ordering lengths using comparison language and inequality symbols.



#### Science

Our topic in science is movement and nutrition. We will learn about how our muscles and skeletons help us move and how movement affects other parts of our bodies. We will also learn what nutrition means and how to eat healthily.



#### Computing

In computing, the children will learn about email and the safety aspects linked to this. They will begin to understand the different methods for communication and learn to compose and send emails. They will also have a Jam Coding session with experts in digital footprints and how to stay safe online.





DT

In DT, children will be learning about wearable electronic devices. Children will be writing a program that initiates a flashing LED panel, or another pattern, on the virtual micro: bit when a button is pressed. They will also be finding out about the process a product goes through from development to sale.



Geography

Our geography unit this term is all about Antarctica. We will be learning about where Antarctica is on the globe, what type of climate it is and will be looking at its human and physical features. We will also be looking at the journey of Shackleton across Antarctica.



RE

In RE, we will be looking at why Jesus is an inspirational leader to people.



PE

Our PE days are changing this term. On Tuesdays, we will be having fitness lessons outside so please dress warmly. On Thursdays, an external coach will be teaching gymnastics.



Music

This term, we will practise moving and singing as a team. We will also learn to recognise minims, crotchets and quavers and to perform rhythms accurately from notation and layer them to create a composition.



PSHE

Our lessons in PSHE this term will cover Managing risk, decision making skills, drugs and their risks and staying safe online.



Spanish

In this unit, 'Los Instrumentos' pupils will learn 10 familiar instruments and be introduced to the 1<sup>st</sup> person singular high frequency verb 'I play' in Spanish. They will be able to recognise, recall, remember and spell up to 10 instruments and will learn to write a simple sentence starting with the verb 'I play'.





Rewards

The children will receive 'Dojo Points' as reward for showing our school values: Respect, Resilience and Responsibility



Class information

Peaceful Poppies Class Teachers: Mr Campion (Monday & Tuesday) and Mrs Powers (Wednesday-Friday)

Determined Delphiniums Class Teachers: Mrs Yeomans (Monday-Thursday) and Miss Peck (Friday)

We request that all children bring a named water bottle to school every day.

Please remember if you are making your child a packed lunch, we ask you not to put anything in that contains nuts or honey.

Please remember to name your child's school jumper or cardigan.



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### Dates for the diary!



Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January - INSET Day

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January - School reopens to pupils.

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> January - Book and Biscuit session 2.40pm

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> January – Whole school panto – Robin Hood

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February - NSPCC Whole School Number Day- timings tbc

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> February - Mental Health Week - wear yellow

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February – Safer Internet Day

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> February & Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February – Jam Coding (Years 3&4)

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February - Valentine's Day disco – timings tbc

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February - school closes for Half Term.