



CORBY PRIMARY ACADEMY



## Year 4 Newsletter – Autumn 2

### Welcome

It has been great getting to know the children since returning after the summer and we are looking forward to continuing with our learning this term.

### Reading

We will explore a variety of fiction, non-fiction and poetry texts in our reading lessons. Each week we will look at an extract from a different text and explore this in detail, looking at vocabulary, inference, retrieval and more.



The children will be given daily opportunities to engage in reading for pleasure.

### Writing

This term in writing the children we will look at the text *How to Train Your Dragon* by Cressida Cowell. As we read the text, we will be exploring possessive pronouns, fronted adverbials, and plural and possessive language. We will be writing a setting description and a narrative piece.



### Maths

We will be continuing to look at addition and subtraction in maths and practising using the column method. We will then look at multiplication and division and calculating area. The multiplication and division unit will support their preparation for the Multiplication Tables Check that pupils will sit in June.



### Science

Our science topic this term, will be electricity. Children will be asked to build circuits, to identify and draw simplified electrical symbols and to discuss effective conductors and insulators.



We will look at real scenarios to inform children about electrical safety. Children will use tables to record findings and be able to group electrical appliances based on their power supply.

### Computing

In Computing, children will be exploring spreadsheets and a programme called





Zcalculate. We will be looking at how to add formulae to a cell on spreadsheets and exploring the use of the display of decimal places. In Zcalculate, we will be discovering how to use the line graph tool and the currency formatting tool.

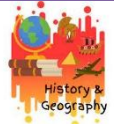


### DT

In Design Technology, we will be looking at structures and frameworks. Students will develop skills to be able to create a model Pavilion.

### Geography

During Geography this term, we are looking at where our food comes from. We will explore the impact of our food choices on the environment, the importance of trading responsibly, the journey of a cocoa bean, and whether it is better to buy local or imported food.



### PE

Da ffordils class we be learning to play dodgeball on a Monday while Carnations will attend swimming lessons on a Tuesday. Both classes will have football on a Wednesday.



### PSHE

Our PSHE lessons will focus on 'Me and My Relationships' exploring what makes a healthy relationship, different feelings and receiving help. We will look at the book 'Wonder' to support discussion.

### Spanish

In Spanish we will be focusing on the unit 'Mi Familia (my family)'. Children will learn how to say different family members names and discuss who is in their family in Spanish. They will cover this through speaking and listening exercises as well as reading and writing tasks.

### Home Learning

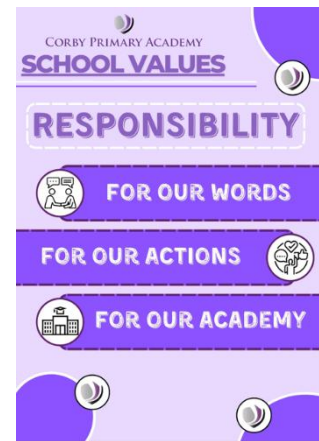


- The children will be given a weekly homework sheet that revisits key skills learnt across the week. This will be given out on Fridays and will need to be returned the following Friday.
- Children should be reading at least four times a week at home. Please record this in their reading diaries.
- Spellings should be practiced weekly and can be found via Class Dojo and the children are also given paper copies. They will have a spelling test on Mondays.
- Times tables should be practised as regularly as possible to build fluency. This can be done on [timestables.co.uk](http://timestables.co.uk). The children are tested every Friday.



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All required log ins are in the front of your child's reading diaries. Please speak to the class teacher if you need replacement copies.



### Rewards

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

### Class information

Creative Carnations

Class Teacher: Mr Wright

Supported by: Mrs Fuller

Zebras

Class Teacher: Miss Tucker

Supported by: Mrs McIntrye

You can contact your child's class teacher through Class Dojo messages.

### Dates for the diary!

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Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November - school reopens for pupils

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> November - Book & Biscuit session - 2.40pm

W/B 10<sup>th</sup> November - Anti-bullying week

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November - Odd Socks Day

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> November - Remembrance Day

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November - Children in Need Day

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December - Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December - Book Fair

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December - Christingle Service KS1 9am/ KS2 2.30pm

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December - School Closed - Trust INSET Day

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December - Reception Nativity 2pm

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December - Reception Nativity 2pm

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December - Nursery Sing-along – 9.30am

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Dinner Day/ Christmas Jumper

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Fayre / Santa's Grotto 3.15pm

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December – Nursery Christmas party (am & pm)

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December - KS1 Christmas Performance 2pm

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December - KS1 Christmas Performance 2pm

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December - KS2 Christmas Concert 2pm

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December - school closes for Christmas

