



## Year 6 Newsletter – Autumn 2

### Radiant Roses



### Talented Tulips



#### Welcome

Welcome back to our second term of Year 6. We hope you had a lovely half term break and are ready for some new learning in what is sure to be a busy term in the lead up to Christmas.

#### Reading

This term we will choose a new reading for pleasure text, choosing between Percy Jackson, The Railway Children or by continuing one of our writing book texts.

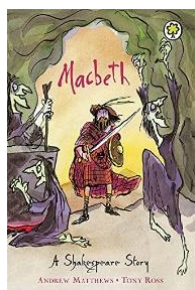


Our writing lessons will give us the opportunity to read 'Macbeth' and study this text in detail.

During class reading lessons, we will develop children's inference skills and focus on understanding trickier vocabulary as well as answering written comprehension questions.

#### Writing

Over the course of this half term, we will use the book, 'Macbeth: A Shakespeare Story' by Andrew Matthews & Tony Ross.



Firstly, we will write a newspaper report. This will detail the news of King Duncan's murder, which will incorporate a headline, orientation paragraph and further paragraphs adding detail.

Following this, we will then write a balanced argument answering the question, 'Is Macbeth a hero or villain?' This will unpick the reasons for and against before writing a conclusion.

We will continue developing the knowledge of how we use punctuation with a specific focus on colons and semicolons.

## Maths

This terms units will include:

- Fractions
- Converting between units of measure



Our fractions unit will allow us to build on our arithmetic skills by adding, subtracting, multiplying, and dividing fractions. We will also be further developing our knowledge of equivalent fractions. When converting between units of measure, we will recap how many ml in a litre, grams in kilograms etc. to support reasoning skills. Discussions around measurement conversions at home will further support this.

## Science

During our science lessons this term, we will be learning about light and reflection. Children will describe how light travels and how we see luminous and non-luminous objects. They will consider factors that affect the size of a shadow and describe how the distance between an object and the surface its shadow is cast on affects the size of the shadow.

Additionally, children will use mirrors to make a working periscope and explain how a periscope works using ray diagrams.



## Computing

In computing, the children will begin by learning about online safety. The children will learn how to identify benefits and risks of mobile devices, have a clear idea of appropriate online behaviour and understand the positive and negative influences of technology on health and the environment.

We will then move on to learn all about text adventures. Children will plan, make and map adventures in 2code.



## DT

This term in DT, children will design and create a waistcoat. They will use a template to mark and cut out a design. They will learn to use a running stitch to join fabric together and will attach a secure fastening and decorative objects. The children will then show-off their products on the catwalk.





### Geography

In geography this term, we are investigating the question 'Why does population change?'. The children will begin by learning about how the global population is changing. They will then discuss birth rates, death rates, why people migrate and how climate change is impacting the population. Finally, we will conduct some fieldwork in our local area about how population is impacting our environment.

### Music

This term, the children will be choosing and practicing a song for our end of term carol concert. We always have lots of fun getting ready for the carol concert and look forward to performing!



### PE

In PE, the children will be understanding the attacking and defending principles of invasion games of football and basketball. They will have to think about how they use skills, strategies and tactics to outwit their opposition. They will understand the importance of fair play and honesty while abiding by rules.



PE days this term will be Tuesday (football) and Thursday (basketball).

### PSHE

In PSHE this term, the topic we'll be following is 'Valuing Difference'. In this we will be exploring respect and differences, tolerance and respect for others and challenging gender stereotypes.



### SPANISH

In Spanish, pupils will learn about the planets and the Solar System. They will name and label a map of the Solar System and begin to create sentences using conjunctions to extend descriptions. They will also write questions to ask an astronaut.



### RE

In RE, we will be continuing our learning of Hinduism. The children will build on their knowledge from last half term by learning about special words, the story of Rama and Sita and learning about Diwali.

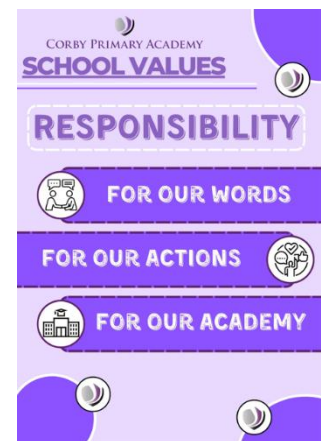


### Homework



This half term the children will receive weekly homework. This will include a maths, reading and grammar activity each week.

Additionally, the children will continue receiving weekly spellings to learn, which are also available on Spellingframe. Please encourage your children to read 4x a week.



### Rewards

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



### Class information

#### Radiant Roses

Class Teachers: Mrs Mutch and Mrs McKinnon

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Supported by: Mrs Edwards

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Class Teacher: Mrs Gregory

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Supported by: Mrs Wookey

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

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.



Dates for your 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

