CORBY PRIMARY ACADEMY

Year 6 Newsletter – Autumn 2

Radiant Roses



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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 continue reading 'Holes' from our English unit before we start reading 'The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas' for our next writing unit.

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



This term we will begin with a non-chronological report based on The Day of the Dead. For this piece of writing, the children will learn consolidate their learning about using parenthesis to add extra information. We will also be learning how to use a colon to introduce a list and to separate two independent clauses where the second clause explains or expands on the first.

After writing the non-chronological report, we will write a narrative. For this writing unit, the children will consolidate their knowledge of adverbials to add cohesion and learning how to use semi-colons to link two independent clauses.

Maths



This terms units will include:

- Fractions
- Converting between units of measure
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We will begin the half term by learning long division – something the children have been asking about for weeks! 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.

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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, as well as continuing with our blogging and network units, we will introduce spreadsheets. By exploring excel, the children will know the key parts of this software such as formatting, functions and creating data.

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 handball. 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 (handball) and Thursday (football).

PSHE

SCARF

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. We will also learn about how we can be allies against racism, respecting different relationships and how we can challenge sexism.

SPANISH

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In Spanish, pupils will learn about the planets and the Solar System. They will name and label a map of the Solar Sytem 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.

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Homework



This half term the children will continue to 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. Twice a half term, we will share the name of an inspirational person that we would like the children to research at home. If the children wish to create a piece of work based on what they research, they are more than welcome to bring this in and share this with us. We would like to share any new facts as a class. This doesn't have to be something that has been written down- it can just be something to discuss.







Rewards

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

CLASS dojo

Class information

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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- Autumn 2

Monday 2nd November - School reopens for pupils
Tuesday 3rd November – 2027 Reception Intake Tour - 4pm
Thursday 5th November - Book & Biscuit session - 2.40pm - KS1
W/B Monday 9th November – Y2 PiXL Week
W/B Monday 9th November – Y6 PiXL Week
Wednesday 11th November - Remembrance Day
Friday 13th November - Children in Need Day (Mufti-Day)
W/B Monday 16th November - Anti-Bullying Week
W/B Monday 16th November – Road Safety Week
Monday 16th November - Odd Socks Day
W/B Monday 23rd November – UK Parliament Week
Wednesday 2nd December - Wednesday 9th December - Book Fair
Thursday 3rd December – Pupil Leadership Team visit to Houses of Parliament
Monday 7th December - KS1 Christmas Performance - 2pm
Tuesday 8th December –– Choir and Instrumental Recitals (Gillian Farmer) 9.15am &
Y4 Ukelele Concert – 2.30pm
Wednesday 9th December – KS1 Christmas Performance – 9.15am
Wednesday 9th December – Reception Christmas Performance – 2pm
Thursday 10th December – Reception Christmas Performance – 9.15am
Thursday 10th December – Christmas Dinner Day/ Christmas Jumper
Thursday 10th December – Christmas Fayre / Father Christmas - 3.15pm
Friday 11th December – Nursery Christmas Sing-Along – 9:15am and party day (am & pm)
Monday 14th December – Rock Steady Concert – 2pm
Tuesday 15th December LKS2 (Y3&4) Christmas Concert – 2pm
Wednesday 16th December – UKS2 (Y5&6) Christmas Concert - 2pm
Friday 18th December – House Assembly
Friday 18th December - School closes to pupils for Christmas