

<u>Antelopes Class Newsletter</u> <u>Autumn Term 1 2015: Years 3 and 4</u>



Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you have had a relaxing summer holiday and I would like to welcome you back to a brand new term!

I am looking forward to an exciting, fun-filled year in Antelopes class. We have many new and interesting topics planned over the next term. Please read on to find out more information about the curriculum, as well as other important reminders.

Curriculum outline:

Over the next term, in English, we will be reading 'The Day the Crayons Quit' by Drew Daywalt, as our class novel. Through this story we will be covering different areas of the reading curriculum and writing persuasive letters. In Maths, the children will begin the term by focusing on Roman Numerals and place value. In Science, our focus will be Computer science and programming using LOGO. In Geography, we will be studying Oceans. Our History topic is the study of the Byzantine Empire, Islam and the Arab conquests. For R.E. we will be looking at the beliefs and worldviews of Christianity



General class reminders:

- P.E. lessons will be taught every Monday and Thursday. The children need full kit in school on these days please.
 P.E. kit consists of black shorts, black plimsolls and their house colour t-shirt for indoor PE. These need to be brought in on Mondays and kept in school in a named bag. For sport and PE outside during the colder months, they will need also need a warm tracksuit to wear with outdoor trainers.
- It is the expectation that all children read every night. The children can read to themselves, and complete this on their own in their reading diaries. However, an adult signature is required under each comment.
- Homework will be given out every Friday and will be due in the following Wednesday. This consists of a given page in each of the CPG Maths and English Books. The children should also be using TTRockstars for practicing times tables each week
- Spelling tests will be every Monday. New spellings will also be given out after each test. It is important that your child practises their spellings at home each week so that they are ready for the test.
 - The Antelopes page on the Class Dojo will be updated regularly with reminders, photographs and examples of pupils work. Please take a look! If you haven't yet joined, please see me.

If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact me. I look forward to another exciting year in Antelopes class.

Mr Gardiner

