

Slingsby Community Primary School Curriculum Newsletter Spring 1

'Bolt Class'

Events

- Swimming for Bolt Class – Monday 9th Feb.

History – Romans

- What was important to people in Ancient Rome?
- Explain invade, empire and settlement.
- Explain how the Celts responded to the Roman invasion.
- Use artefacts to make deductions about the lives of Roman soldiers.
- Explain the meaning of legacy. Discuss how the Romans changed Britain.

Science – Rocks and soil

- Define the term rock.
- Group rocks by absorbency, hardness and reaction to acid rain.
- Describe fossil formation.
- Name, compare and categorise different types of soil.
- List benefits of earth worms.
- Observe the layers in a sedimentation jar.

English

Hope and Healing

Escape from Pompeii – Christina Balit

The Last Garden – Rachel Ip, Anneli Bray

Diary, letters, newspaper report

Maths

- Year 2 – Shape, money, multiplication and division, length and height.
- Year 3 – Multiplication and division, length and perimeter.

Computing

- Microsoft 365 - emailing

Art / DT

- Pneumatic Toys
- Sculpture and 3D abstract shape.

RE

- Expressing – Why do people pray?
- What does it mean to be a Christian in Britain today?

PSHE

- Health and Wellbeing / safety and the changing body

PE

- Ball skills - hands
- Swimming



Music

Singing techniques.

French

French adjectives, colour, size and shape

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- 'Bolt Class' will be taught by Mrs. Jordan, with teaching assistant support.
- Reading books will be changed on a regular basis. We do however, encourage as part of our Little Wandle Phonics that your child's book is read at least three times as this helps to build fluency as well as prosody (expression). I appreciate it can be tricky to fit this in, but please can you aim to listen to your child read three times a week and write in their reading record. Alternatively, sharing a story can have such a beneficial impact and this is something we would actively encourage.
- Where possible, please can you ensure your child has their reading book and record in school on a daily basis and their spelling and times table books on a Monday. We will work with you to encourage all children to bring these home from their drawers.
- The children in Bolt Class will be moving onto a Little Wandle reading scheme which is focussed on developing fluency for reading.
- Times tables will be starting on the first week back. All year 2 children will start on 2 x and we will be aiming for 3 consecutive weeks of correct answers before moving on. This is done informally and the children progress at their own level. Children in Year 3, you will be continuing where you left off.
- Spellings will be given weekly and the children will have their tests on a Monday morning. In the event of a bank holiday, the test will be on a Tuesday. Please can you encourage your child / children to practice their spellings and times tables. Spelling books will be handed back out on a Tuesday / Wednesday for the following week.
- Children will require their P.E bags in school all week. PE sessions for Bolt Class will take place every Monday and Thursday. Children will need to ensure they have a PE jumper and jogging bottoms as where possible the children will go to the school field for PE lessons.
- Dojo points will be given during the school day for positive praise and can be awarded for kindness, helping others, trying hard and making great choices with their learning and behaviour. These are then included in the house point total at the end of the week. Tokens are also awarded for following the Slingsby values.
- Mrs Jordan will be covered for one afternoon a week to focus on her SENCO role, the class will be informed of when this is happening in advance and the class will be covered by Mr Smith, this will usually be on a Tuesday afternoon.