



## S3 Spring 2018 Newsletter

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A big welcome back to everyone after the Christmas holidays. Hopefully everyone had a lovely break and Santa was good to you! Thank you all so much for your kind gifts.

### ***It's okay not to know - but it's not okay not to try!***

We are looking to build resilience in the children and want to equip them for their future so that they can overcome difficulties that they face in learning and in life. Encourage your child at home to find their own solutions to problems and work out ways to manage these. We will discuss this further in our coffee morning.

### **Coffee Morning**

This term our coffee morning will be on Friday 19th January. We will be bringing you up to date with all of this term's events and plans.

### **Parent Information Evening**

**Tuesday 16th January, 6pm**

This meeting will give you all the information you need to know regarding key dates for the Kent and Bexley Tests as well as how we prepare your child for them.

### **Group Work**

This will begin during the week of 5th of February, further details at the Information Evening. Extra English will begin after school on Tuesdays at the start of the Summer Term. *There will be NO HOMEWORK on Extra English days!*

### **English**

English Week will begin the week after half term. Our Class reader is *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe* as our class reader. Don't forget the S3 reading list to help broaden vocabulary, remember to check meanings too! We value your support with your child's reading, it really does help. Do talk to your child about their reading and don't forget the Million Word Challenge over the next two terms: 25 chapter books of approximately 125 pages!

### **Curriculum**

**Maths** We will be continuing to work on problem solving and applying knowledge. Keep working on those tables!

**History** This term we will be learning about the Stuart period of history. This will culminate in a History Dressing Up day!

**Science** This half term our unit of study is 'Earth & Space'.

**Computing** PowerPoint presentations.

**Art** Tudor portraits-sewing for the next two weeks any volunteers gratefully received!

### **Parking!**

Can we please remind parents and carers that certain areas of the car park are restricted to keep all the children safe as they cross the car park during Games, PE or fixtures. It is essential that drivers respect the areas where they are not allowed to park and respect staff on duty.

### **Uniform and PE/Games Kit**

Please, please ensure that all uniform and equipment is named clearly so that should it get mislaid, it can be quickly returned! Please help your child remember the right kit on the right day (see timetables in homework diaries). The new school coat is part of the school uniform and should come into school each day.

### **Diary Dates**

**5th Jan** Clubs Registration -why not sign up for something new?

**10th Jan** House Swimming

**16th Jan** 6pm Kent & Bexley Tests Information evening

**17th Jan** S3 Hockey session. Please remember stick, pads & gum shield.

7.30pm FOMC meeting

**21st Jan** ISA Swimming National Championships Olympic Park

**27th Jan** 9:15-12pm Open Morning

**7th Feb** S3 Hockey session. Please remember stick, pads & gum shield.

**8th Feb** Group Work begins

**9th Feb** S4 Bring and Buy Sale

**10th-18th Feb** Half Term

Looking ahead to next half term.

**19th February** English Week

**23rd February** Charities Day History Dressing up day—come dressed as a famous Tudor or Stuart

**5th, 6th March** S3 Parent's Evening