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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to an exciting new term.

We can't believe how quickly term 1 went and how much we have already done! We have another very busy term planned with lots of fun and new experiences which we hope the children are looking forward to.

Term 2 learning in Year 3 & 4

This term our topic is 'Mighty Metals'. We will be learning about forces and magnets, settlements in Britain and moving mechanisms and how they are used.

P.F

PE days for both classes are Wednesdays and Thursdays.

Please can you ensure that your child comes into school wearing their PE kit on their PE days. The approved PE kits is black or navy bottoms and a school/plain white T-shirt. Please no football or designer type attire.

Our topics for P.E this term are games and gymnastics.

English

Our reading and writing focus for this term will be created around "The Iron Man," by Ted Hughes. In our writing, we will firstly produce a narrative based on this text before moving on to a poetry topic based around an Iron Man poem and finally they will complete an Iron Man book review.

How you can help your child

- Make sure your child reads daily and discuss the stories in terms of reasons for characters' actions and reasons for the author's choices of vocabulary. Don't forget to record reading sessions in reading records.
- Discuss meanings of any new vocabulary your child comes across.
- Support with any English and Grammar homework.
- Test children on their weekly spellings.

Mathematics

Year 3 will begin the term by continuing with the 'Addition and Subtraction' unit before moving on to learning about 'Multiplication and division'. Year 4 will start with a unit on 'Measurement' with a focus on area and then also move on to 'Multiplication and division'.



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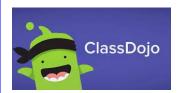
- Complete the maths homework as this will reinforce what the children have been learning in school.
- Look for opportunities to talk about maths in the everyday environment.
- Use mental calculation skills in real life contexts.
- Ask your child about what they have been learning and encourage them to explain the methods they use in calculations.
- Practise times tables on Times Table Rock Stars and orally.

Homework

Homework will be given out on a Friday and is expected to be in by the following Wednesday. The children will also be given 10 spellings to learn each week which they will be tested on each Friday. Please continue to support your child at home by listening to them read and encouraging them to complete their homework books each week. As mentioned above, they should also practise their weekly spellings and times tables (TTrockstars, chanting and singing them). Children who are unable to complete homework at home, can be signed up for 'Homework Club' after school.

Assemblies

Orcas and Barracudas will both have a sharing assembly this term so please support your child if they have any lines to learn at home when the time comes! Orcas is on Friday 17th November and Barracudas is on Friday 24th November.



Class Dojo is the best way to contact us and we will always endeavour to get back to you as soon as possible during term time. Please also look out for any notices we might have for the class on Dojo.

Thank you for your continuing support,

Mrs Foster, Mrs Benn, Mrs Banks and Mrs Newman.