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Dear Parents/Carers,

Robins Class Newsletter – Spring Term 2023

We hope you all had an enjoyable half-term break and are all feeling a little more refreshed and ready for the new half-term. We have lots of exciting new topics to learn about this half-term and some fun events to look forward to as well.

KEY REMINDERS

P.E. Days

This half-term P.E. lessons will continue to be held on a Thursday. Please can you check your child has their P.E. kit in school on these days. These should include: a white t-shirt, black shorts, and plimsolls/trainers. **Please can all kit be named.**

Forest Schools

In Robins we are lucky enough to be continuing with 'Forest Schools' with Mrs Lloyd every Wednesday afternoon. Please can you ensure your child brings to school their Forest School clothes. **These should include: Waterproof coat and trousers, layers (t-shirts, long sleeve top, jumpers), socks, hats, gloves and boots.**

Homework

READING AT HOME:

Earlier this term we have been really impressed with the amount of 'reading at home' Robins children are doing, this is a fantastic way to help your child develop reading fluency which helps them in all areas of learning throughout their lives. Thank you for all your support in ensuring your child has time to read each day at home. So far this half-term we have already had two pupils who have earned their 10 house points and moved up to the next reading stage – keep going Robins!

WEEKLY SPELLINGS:

Pupils will continue to receive weekly spellings to learn at home. Each week there is a new spelling pattern to learn which we continue to practice as part of our spelling work in school. Please do support your child in learning their spellings at home, this makes a huge difference to their weekly results.

HOMEWORK TASK:

Homework will continue to be given out on a Friday to be returned by the following Wednesday.

Y3 BEDROCK LEARNING:

We encourage all our Year 3 pupils to complete two Bedrock tasks a week. This makes a huge difference to their vocabulary and word knowledge! Keep going Year 3!

Curriculum Learning

In English this half-term we are continuing our story writing skills whilst learning about the 'Legend of Robin Hood'. In our non-fiction work we will be learning how to write instructions and explanations. As we head towards Easter we are looking forward to creating our own Easter shape poems.

In Maths, we will continue to develop our multiplication and division skills extending on our learning from last term and becoming more confident in multiplying and dividing. We will also be learning about 'Statistics' and 'Shapes' later on in the term.

In other areas of learning, we will be focusing on our Geography skills in our unit of work called 'Coast to Coast' within this topic we will be learning about coastal towns in our country, comparing two different places and learning about coastal erosion. The children have already shown a great interest in this topic!

In our music unit 'I wanna play in a band', we will be learning about a range of rock bands, performing songs and learning to play an instrument. I am sure this will be a wonderful topic for all our budding musicians!

Open Reading Morning

On Tuesday 28th February we are hoping many of you will be able to join us in class for a reading morning. This should be an informative session and we hope you will enjoy working alongside the children. The morning lasts from 9.00-10.30am.

World Book Day

On Thursday 2nd March we will be celebrating this nationwide event. I am sure many of you have already started to think about your costumes for the day. This is a really exciting day in school and it is a wonderful opportunity to take part in a range of book-related activities.

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