

Felbrigg Autumn Newsletter

Welcome back everyone. I hope that you have all had a fantastic break and are refreshed and ready for year 6. This is going to be a big year- lots of exciting challenges and experiences to look forward to. Here is a quick overview of what we'll be doing this term:

Maths: Lessons will focus on the key skills that are going to be important this year such as: place value, the 4 main operations (+, -, x and \div) and fractions.

We will concentrate on building arithmetic skills and making sure that everyone is secure with their mathematical methods. Confidence with times tables will be really important throughout the year and will be part of each week's homework.

English: This term's lessons will see the class writing for a range of purposes with a particular focus on complex sentence structure and using a wide range of punctuation. Our main text will be 'The Adventure of Odysseus' an exciting Greek tale which will provide inspiration for the class' own writing.

SATS: Just a quick note about the tests in May. Throughout the year we will be preparing for the SATS in May. This will see us working through past papers, sharing tips and talking about ideas. The emphasis will be on progress and my aim is that everyone will be motivated to do their best but that the tests will be familiar and just another school day.

Topic: The first topic of the year is all about Derbyshire. It ties in perfectly with our Crowden trip which will give us plenty of first hand experiences to work from. After half term our topic will be Ancient Greece and we will learn about this great society and the legacy it has left on modern life.

Homework: Homework It will be set on a Friday and due in on the following Monday. Children will be given a homework book for their work which will need to be handed in each week. I recommend setting up a homework routine- a set time and place which is for homework only. Occasionally I will also set a homework project which will be completed over a longer time frame with a choice of activities.

PE: PE lessons will be on Tuesdays and Fridays. Please make sure that your child has their full PE kit in school on these days.

Some helpful websites: There are lots of great activities online which will help your child. Here are some of my top suggestions:

www.sumdog.com
www.mathsframe.co.uk
www.mathszone.co.uk

www.topmarks.co.uk
www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk
www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2

I am really looking forward to working with you all this year. If at any point there is anything you wish to discuss with me you can find me in the classroom before or after school or you can email me at gwilcox26rt@nsix.org.uk

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