

Dear Parents / Carers:

Welcome back to Term 4! It's going to be a busy term and we have lots of exciting learning planned for the children.

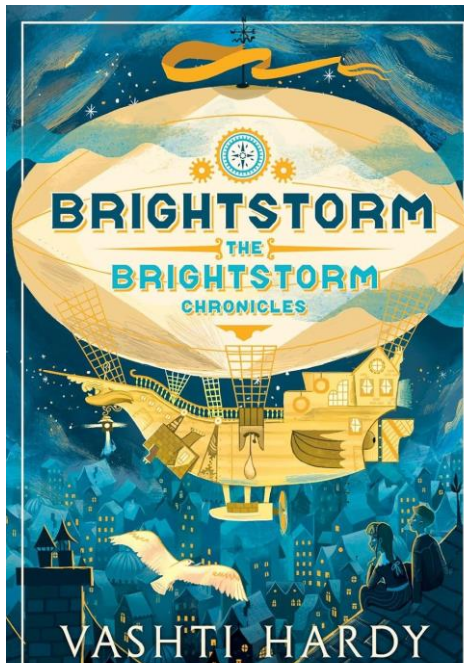
Our P.E. days will be on a Thursday and Friday. Swimming at Tides will take place on Thursday afternoons. We will be walk down to the swimming pool and return to school within the normal school times.

A gentle reminder that the children are expected to read at home for 20 minutes at least 5 times a week. As the children are now in Year 5, they can record their page numbers themselves but please can you sign it to indicate that they have read. Please ensure that your child brings in their reading book and reading record every day.

Spelling homework continues to be given out each Friday. The children can practise their spellings in a number of ways including accessing Spelling Shed to play games, which are linked to the spelling rule/pattern of that week.

Year 5

Elephants Class Spring 4



English

This term we will be using Brightstorm to inspire narrative writing that interweaves dialogue and techniques that move the action forward. After, we will be looking at the poem The Highwayman and the video clip Dracula's Whitby to inspire suspense writing.

Maths

We will continue developing our knowledge of fractions and equivalent decimals and percentages.

We will then explore area and perimeter and finish the term looking at statistics.

Art

The children will be using their knowledge of Georgia O'Keefe's work studied last term to inspire their own design using the method of Batik.

History

In History we will be learning about the British Empire, Queen Victoria and the Industrial Revolution answering the question: Why did Britain once rule the largest empire the world has ever seen?

PSHEC

In PSHEC, the children will be exploring the impact of smoking and alcohol on the body. They will also learn some basic first aid including the recovery position. And finally, the children will explore the role of social media in promoting certain body types.

DT

In DT, children will explore bridge structures and investigate what makes a strong structure. They will then design and evaluate their own bridges.

French

Children will be exploring and learning vocabulary linked to items of clothing and expanding their use of adjectives for description.

PE

This term we will be swimming and taking part in tag rugby.

RE

In RE, children will be exploring what can be done to reduce racism and how religion can help.

Music

Our Bold As lessons continue for all children now. This happens every Tuesday morning. Please ensure that the children's instruments are in school for this and support them with some practise at home.