

## Dear Parents / Carers

I hope you have had a great Summer Holiday and are ready for the new term.

In Kingfishers this year, addition to Maths and English which are taught on a daily basis, our RE topic for the term is Buddhism, and the children will also be undertaking a new computing input on systems and networks. The PSHE themes of relationships and valuing differences will also be discussed.

Our main history topic will be World War Two with an emphasis on the events surrounding the Battle of Britain. This will form the majority of the topic work we complete before half term, along with the study of materials in science and a music unit about the Fresh Prince of Bel Air

After half term we will move on to study natural disasters in geography, forces in science, structures in design & technology and French.

Throughout the term PE will be taught on a Monday and Thursday, and the children should attend school in their PE kit on these days.

The children will be provided with a reading record, and are expected to read at home on a daily basis. Home reading should be recorded within the booklet as these are checked regularly with children who manage to have their booklets signed every weekday evening receiving a small treat on Friday.

Weekly spellings are set on a Monday with a test on Friday, and homework will be set on a Friday to be returned the following week. I may also set additional work to be completed as the term progresses. As out topic relates to World War Two I thought the children would enjoy researching the life of a relative whose life was affected by the war in some way. They could produce a biography of this person and then the work could be displayed around the school as we approach Armistice Day. Further details will be given to the children next week.

I am sure both the children and the adults may have some concerns surrounding their return to school. I am more than happy to speak to parents if these arise, and we will be addressing many of these in class as we have an increased focus on the pastoral side of school at the start of term. If you should have a query, please feel free to ask at the start or the end of the day, or contact the office in the first instance.

I am looking forward to returning to some sort of normal over the next few days and am sure we will have an exciting year.

**Best Wishes** 

Gary Brown Kingfishers Teacher