



LKS2 (Years 3 and 4) Newsletter -Autumn 2024

Values this year: Gratitude, Respect, Empathy, Acceptance, Teamwork

We have enjoyed a good first few days back at school. The children have settled well into their new classes. We are very proud of them.

We continue to be a values school and we are looking for the children to have a **GREAT** (an acronym created from our core values) day. This is when they consistently show their values throughout the day. Children can earn their values award which will be celebrated in assembly, by demonstrating any value consistently to fill their values postcard. We are sure they will!

Please continue to support your child (ren) with their reading. The children will bring new reading books home on Fridays. If they need new books during the week they can ask to have another, one at a time. In years 3 and 4 it is **really important** that you not only hear your child read but you discuss the story with them and ask questions about content, motive, actions and vocabulary.

Sealion class will now be dismissing at the end of the day in the hall. Please come to the hall doors (the ones nearest to Sealion class) to collect your children after school.

Mathematics

We begin the term teaching the children about number and place value. We will build upon what the children have already learnt in previous years, before moving onto addition and subtraction. The children will learn to add and subtract mentally and be introduced to formal column addition and subtraction.

Before the end of term the children will use these skills in multiplication and division.

English

This half-term, our first story is 'Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters' an African Tale by John Steptoe. This will be used to inspire the children's writing.

We will then move onto looking at information texts and focusing on African animals.

Our poetry focus will be on image poems.

Spelling Shed will be used to work on the children's spellings.

Science and Foundation Subjects:

We begin the term studying light and shadow in science.

History and Geography

In history we are learning about local history and focussing on the history of Langford.

In Geography we will be looking at rivers and exploring the uses of rivers.

LKS2 timetable

Dolphin Class PE:	Monday and Wednesday
Orca Class PE:	Monday and Tuesday
Sea Lion Class PE:	Wednesday and Friday

- Reading books must be brought into school every day
- Please ensure your child brings in a named water bottle every day, along with a healthy snack for break time.
- Please ensure your child brings a coat to school on a daily basis. We do go out to play in light rain showers!

