

# Term 2 Highlights!



In R.E. we have been learning about how Christians celebrate Christmas. We made our own Christingles, after an assembly led by Simon from Victoria Baptist Church!



Our art gallery was a huge success! Thank you for coming to celebrate the children's hard work.

We made some AMAZING sculptures in art inspired by Charles McGee!



Preparing salsa in D.T. A huge thank you for all the ingredient donations!

In P.E. we have enjoyed gymnastics, especially getting the apparatus out!



# Funnels and Firelights!

Welcome to Term 3!

Can you believe we're nearly halfway through the year?

Ahoy there, crew! This term, we're setting sail on an exciting voyage into the story of the Titanic. From icebergs to lifeboats, we'll be diving deep into history and making it waves of fun!

To keep our ship afloat, we'll also be stitching together a magnificent class patchwork quilt inspired by the sea. We'll need all hands-on deck for this one, so if you're a super sewer (or know a grandparent who can thread a needle faster than a first-class passenger could grab a lifeboat), we'd love your help.

## Reading

Children who read at home 3 times or more a week make the most progress. Reading boosts confidence and improves writing and maths skills. Phonic knowledge grows, leading to huge reading progress. Please read at least 4 times a week and record in reading diaries for 5 dojos!

## Spellings

Week 1: Mr, Mrs

Week 2 & 3: could, would, should

Week 4: pass, grass, class

Week 5: poor, door, floor

Week 6: Recap spellings

## Tissues

It's that time of year where every child seems to get a cold and we go through so many boxes of tissues! Please could you send your child in a box of tissues.

Thank you



English Continuing with our boat and sea adventure the children will float into the story of 'The Journey Home'. Our big focus will be on creating vivid settings. They will write their own stories about an animal searching for a new home!

Maths We are kickstarting the term with statistics. Then, we will move onto fractions, recognising a quarter and a half of shapes and numbers, however, our main focus will be on two-digit addition and subtraction.

Science This term each class is lucky enough to have a weekly outdoor learning session led by the fantastic Mrs. Hutchinson. We will be focusing on a variety of topics including habitats, survival needs, weather, germination and food chains. How exciting!

### Project Homework!

Get creative! We'd love for the children to create Titanic themed artwork to put on display. Some ideas are bunting, a poster or a model. Please could we ask that these are no bigger than A4.

### Titanic Day - Thursday 12<sup>TH</sup> February

To truly immerse the children in their learning all about the Titanic we would like the children to dress up and get in character for our very own Titanic day! Children will take part in different activities including drama, role play and thinking about what life really was like on board the Titanic. They will also find out what happened to an amazing lady who we will be learning about as the term progresses. We wonder what her name is?

## New home reading books - Traditional Tales

As part of our approach to strengthen links between reading at home and school. We will be sending home a book on a fortnightly basis. This will replace the current 'Modelling Monday' book and be kept for 2 weeks at a time.

We really hope you enjoy reading these, all of the information on how to support your child at home with these will be shared in a separate letter. The classes will take a turn with each book and will rotate round. So, it is crucial we have all books returned on time so the following Monday the next class can enjoy the text. Many thanks for your support.

If any parents/grandparents would like to help with reading this term let your class teachers know. Thank you in advance!



## Dates for your diary:

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January - Inset day

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> January - Twilight (No Ladybirds)

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> January - Year 2 Disco

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February - Titanic Day

