

YEAR 4 NEWSLETTER

Autumn 2

Welcome back! Our topic this half term is:

Next to Nature in the Blue Abyss



Below is an overview of what we will be learning over the next half term.

English

In English we will read the novel *Journey to the River Sea* and we will use the story as inspiration to write our own dilemma stories and personification poems. In addition to this, we will research the life of Captain James Cook to produce a range of fact files and biographies.

Maths

In maths we will be continuing our work on multiplication and division. The children will be able to recognise and use factor pairs in mental calculations and multiply two and three digit numbers by a one digit number using a formal written method.

Science

The children will learn how to work scientifically in their studies about living things, their adaptations and habitats. We will begin to look at classification keys and research different food chains.

Topic

We will go deep underwater in 'Blue Abyss', to learn about the rivers, seas and oceans of the world and their inhabitants. Throughout our topic, the children will have the opportunity to design and create a 3D model of an underwater creature!

Reminder

Children need to be on the KS2 Yard at 8.45am every morning and lined up ready to come into school as soon as the 8.50 bell rings. Lessons begin during registration with 5 a day challenges. Every second counts!



Important Information

Reading – please read at home each night with your child. It is extremely important that children are reading regularly to support their learning. We will be keeping track of how many times children read over the half term and prizes will be given to those who read a minimum of 5 times each week!

Homework Grids - Homework grids must be completed by the last Tuesday of each half term. Please ensure homework books are brought in every Tuesday so that they can be kept up to date. We will be keeping a record of completed homework across the term.

PE – Please ensure your child has a full PE kit in school including shorts, tracksuit bottoms, white or house coloured t-shirt and plimsolls. PE is on a Tuesday and Thursday every week.

Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 13th December – Festive jumper day

Wednesday 20th December – Pantomime at Sunderland Theatre

Y4 trip to be confirmed

