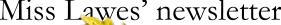


Upper Juniors' class Miss Lawes' newsletter





Maths: Problem solving with: place value, addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, shape, fractions.

English: Fiction and non-fiction writing related to the Tudors; poetry.

Science: Living things and their habitats, Properties of materials.

Topic: Tudors, Locational knowledge of the British Isles

R.E: Síkhísm, Does God communicate with us? P.S.H.E: community and cooperation; making and sustaining friendships.



## This half term:





We will be celebrating birthdays this term for Florence, Bea, Rowan, Rosie, Elodie, Libbi, Dom, Joe



We might be able to do extra PE activities sometimes, so please make sure your child has their full PE kit in all week:

**Shorts** 

T-shirt

Trainers/plimsoles

Tracksuit leggings

PE hoodie (not classroom jumper)/fleece

Band to tie back hair

Tape for earrings

Socks for tight-wearers

ALL LABELLED CLEARLY PLEASE!

- Used newspapers
- Helpers in school to hear readers, assist with art activities or help with cooking.



If you have any questions, please contact me through the school office or see me in the playground after school for a quick chat. If you would like to discuss something in more detail we can find a time, which is convenient for all of us.

Don't practise until you get it right; practise until you can't get it wrong!

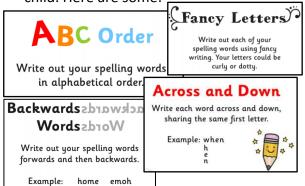
It is really important that your child knows their tables inside out! After you've recited the focus times table, pick random facts e.g.  $6 \times 3$ ,  $24 \div 3$ ,  $240 \div 3$ ,  $2.4 \div 3$ . It is great if your child can answer within 3 seconds.

On our class page of the school website, there are some links to different online games which might help speed and confidence.

## Spellings!

**In addition** to the weekly spellings, Y5 and Y6 children need to learn the new curriculum spelling lists.

There are lots of ways to learn spellings effectively. It is good to try a variety until you've found strategies that really suit your child. Here are some:



New Curriculum Spelling List Years 5 and 6 accommodate communicate equip immediately physical sincerelu equipped prejudice accompany community individual soldier equipment according competition achieve conscience especially interrupt sufficient profession language suggest aggressive conscious exaggerate programme amateur controversy excellent leisure pronunciation symbol ancient convenience existence lightning queue system apparent correspond explanation marvellous recognise temperature familiar criticise mischievous appreciate recommend thorough attached curiosity foreign muscle relevant twelfth available definite forty necessary restaurant variety desperate frequently neighbour vegetable average rhyme government awkward determined rhythm vehicle nuisance develop bargain guarantee occupy sacrifice dictionary bruise harass occur secretary category disastrous hindrance opportunity shoulder parliament cemeteru embarrass identitu signature committee environment immediate persuade

Specific spelling words for the term are shown on the homework grid.

We will mark Maths and Reading homeworks with each child during maths lessons or guided reading group time. Please check that your child brings their homework books in each day until that work is marked.



Yes, even at the GREAT
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our children need to keep reading aloud and discussing the content.

It really helps your child's progress if they read with concentration for at least 20 minutes each day. Please read with your child at least 3 times a week, talk about the events in the book and make a note in their journal.

- Can your child remember details?
- Can they find the place in the book which gives the details?
- Can they explain the event or characters in their own words?
- Have you had similar experiences?
- You can take turns in reading too, which means your child might access books that would otherwise be a little too challenging for them.

The children will be recording their reading every day, so please check they have brought in their own reading book and reading journal EVERY day.