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**Welcome to Fountains!
Summer Term 2 Newsletter**

Monday 3rd June 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to a new term at our school in Fountains Class. I hope you all had a fantastic break.

P.E.

PE will continue to take place every week on **Tuesday** please ensure your child has their P.E kit in school and that it is **named**. The P.E kit should be appropriate for indoor and outdoor P.E as activities will vary depending on weather conditions. The majority of PE lessons will take place outdoors, due to the increasingly warmer weather, with cricket being the focus for this term. On a Friday morning, from the 21st June, Fountains class will be going for swimming lessons. Please ensure that children have appropriate swimming wear and a towel to take with them.

Reading

Please ensure that your child's 'Home School Record' and reading book are in school **every day** in order for us to check the record, add dojo points and read with your child. Reading books will be changed on a **Monday, Wednesday and Friday**, providing you have indicated in the home school book that your child has read their current book. If the home school book is not signed, your child's book will not be changed.

ClassDojo

In addition to the 'Home School Record', we will continue to use ClassDojo. This will, as in previous academic years, be the main avenue of communication between parents and school. I will endeavour to respond to any messages sent through Dojo the same day, as I pick up these throughout the school day. Any sent in the evening may get responded to that evening but occasionally it will be the next school day. The children are incredibly motivated by the Dojo points that they receive each day as they build them up to visit the 'Dojo Shop'. Every time your child reads at home, they will receive two Dojo points and then an additional two for completing their homework each week – a possible twelve Dojo points to gain if they read every day and do their homework! We think this is a great way to encourage your child to read at home and any reading that you can do will certainly have a positive impact on their progress.

Topic

This term our topic is, '**The British Empire**'. This is an exciting topic all about the rise and fall of the British Empire, what made it so successful and how it eventually came to an end.

In literacy, we will begin by looking at myths and legends. Our focus will be on Robin Hood. The children will have the opportunity to become familiar with this famous outlaw and to rewrite this legend- with a twist. Next we will look at newspaper reports and become mini journalists. A very exciting term of writing and learning.

During Science this term, our new topic is 'light'. I am sure the children are going to love the hands on learning involved in such an interesting science topic. There will certainly be a lot of practical work and investigations.

Homework

Your child will receive one piece of Mathematics **and** one of English homework each week. All of the homework that is given out will be relevant to what the children have been learning in class that week and will aim to support their progress. Homework will be given out each **Friday** and is expected back in school on the following **Thursday**. Alongside weekly homework, all of the children will also receive a set of spellings every **Friday** to practise for the following **Friday**.

In addition to weekly homework, we will also be asking the children to complete some termly Topic homework. This will be handed out on **Friday 7th June**. There will be multiple options for children to choose from. This homework will need to be completed and handed in by **Wednesday 3rd June**.

If you have any queries or concerns regarding your child, please feel free to come and see me or, alternatively, send me a message on ClassDojo. The door is always open so please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,
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