



King Eider Newsletter Autumn 2015

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you all had a lovely summer holiday and welcome back to the start of the autumn term. Our **topic** this half term will be 'Towers, Tunnels and Turrets'. The children will be learning about different types of Castles, the people who would have lived and worked there, and what their roles would have been. We will also be visiting Tamworth Castle to hear about the life of the occupants, (including the children), and taking part in some of the tasks. Lastly, we will be looking at famous landmarks which are towers and also researching different tunnels.

Literacy

Lessons this half term will focus on traditional tales and fairytales, looking at using speech, writing recounts and looking at their features.

Maths

Maths this term will be Counting, Partitioning and Calculating, which includes; looking at the digits in 3 and 4 digit numbers, partitioning numbers into thousands, hundreds, tens and ones and adding and subtracting.

P.E

P.E will be on a Monday and a Friday this term; with swimming on a Friday for the Year 3 children and a P.E session at school for the Year 2 children. Please can all parents/carers ensure that your children have the correct clothing, including footwear for outdoor and indoor P.E. in school.

Reading and Spellings

Please ensure children bring their reading books and reading records into school every day, once an adult has signed that a book has been finished then it can be changed for a book within that level. The books will be changed up to 2 times a week to ensure comprehension and confidence when reading within that level. Spellings will be given in a booklet this year, with all the spellings for the term; children will need to practice the weeks spellings for a spelling test each Monday.

Homework

Homework will be topic based, following the new thematic curriculum, which includes homework ideas. Thanks for supporting your children in completing their homework and handing it in by Wednesday of each week. As the children have had a summer scrapbook to complete and hand in, I will start the homework from next Friday (18th) instead of this Friday.

Celebration

Please come and join us on Tuesday 20th October at 2.50p.m for a celebration of the children's work during the topic. Parents evening will be later this week on Thursday 22nd October.

Kind Regards
Miss Kirkby