

Class 2 Topic Letter Autumn Term 1 2018

Class Teacher for the duration of Mrs Maule's Maternity Leave -

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English Maths We will be reading the Class Text – Stig of the Dump. Our writing focus for this half term will be inspired from this text. G OF THE DUM Number and place value - 4 operations written and mental methods Measurement - Measuring (length), perimeter/ area Geometry- properties of shape and angles Number - Decimals, percentages and their equivalence Grammar Focus - Year 3 -using adverbs, expressing time to fractions and using conjunctions, appropriate use of nouns and Problem solving, reasoning and algebra pronouns, introduction to paragraphs, headings and sub We will also be working on developing our mathematical headings. brains, putting what we have learnt into real life Year 4 - appropriate choice of pronouns, paragraphs, contexts and working at speed during our mental introduction of devices to build cohesion (then, after arithmetic lessons. that, this etc). Reading - We will continue to use our successful Accelerated Reader System, reading in school daily. It is **Computing** we will be using the internet as a research important that your child continues to read aloud and tool. We will use our laptops as a publishing and design talk about the story at home. It is suggested that in Class tool. We will be learning about the importance of being 2 the children should be reading for between 30 minutes safe and responsible online. We will also develop our to one hour every evening. Please sign and comment in work on control technology and hopefully have access to their Reading Record. a new resource called Sphero Spanish – We will be continuing to learn how to use Science basic greetings, ask directions, sing songs and how to We will be learning about Health and Lifestyle and how count to 20 in Spanish. the effects of a healthy diet and regular exercise benefit us. Music The children in Class 2 take part in a First Access Music Project and will learn to play the violin. **R.E.** We will be learning about different faiths and comparing them to our own this term. We will develop links with Wingrove Primary School and places of **Art -** The children will be learning about techniques worship in our local city centre to help us develop an involved in re-creating cave paintings. insight of the differences and similarities that are celebrated in different faiths. P.E. The children will swim at Willowburn on Mondays up History until February half term. We have changed this to We will be learning about the Stone Age. We will also promote progression and continuity as the children will take part in a hands-on workshop at the Great North be taught in a longer block. Museum just before half term to enhance this topic. The KS 2 children will continue take part in our Daily Details to follow. Mile.

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The second PE session of the first half term will be Football/ Hockey. We hope the Football League continues so that we can continue to develop a school team. PE kit is to be worn to school as usual on Mondays. Our other PE session is on Fridays so please make sure PE kit is in on this day.

Forest Schools

Our sessions will happen every week on Fridays. During these sessions we will also cover -Technology – Using tools and making things and now that Mrs Chisholm is a qualified Forest Schools Leader our Food Technology session will take place out on the Fire Pit. A lot of the work we do in PSHE such as resilience, teamwork and confidence will be covered in these sessions. We will also be making our own 'dumps' inspired by Stig at a den-building workshop on Tuesday 11th September. Letter to follow.





Mrs Buckingham will teach Class 2 on Thursdays.

PE – Mondays and Fridays. Trainers to be worn please (no sandshoes or converse style pumps). Your child may also wish to keep a pair of trainers in school to use during our Daily Mile.

School Uniform for KS 2 children is different to Class 1. The children will be given a planner to use for messages and information. Please ensure it is signed every week as I check planners every Thursday.

Book bags are not used in Class 2 or 3 but please do not buy a really large backpack as there is limited space in the cloakroom.

Children are also expected to bring in their own pencil case and equipment although spare resources are kept in school for children who do not have their own.

Please pay promptly and in advance for School Meals using our School Money System.

We continue to use our Primary Sports Funding to pay for specialist sport and swimming at Willowburn and transport costs.

If there are any changes to end of day arrangements please contact the school office.

Looking forward to a fantastic half term! If you have any queries or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind Regards,

Belinda Athey.