

Class 2 Topic Letter Summer Term 2019.

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

Mrs B Athey supported by HLTA Mrs Cheryl Chisholm and TA's Miss Clark and Miss McAllister.

	Maths
English We will be reading the Michael Morpurgo text Kensuke's Kingdom and finding out all about Rainforests! Spellings – Children will be expected to continue to learn and use the common words from the list in their planner for Year 3 and 4. We are also developing our own personal dictionaries and need to learn key words we	Maths We will develop our work on Fractions and Decimals. We will also look at the property of shapes, position and direction. We will also have regular work on times tables as the children should know these answers by rapid recall by the end of Year 4. To help with maths rapid recall your children all have a School 360 password and should use these games to help their fluency in maths.
may find tricky. We will use School 360 Spell Blast to help us. It would be helpful if this was practiced daily at home. Grammar Focus Identifying main and subordinate clauses in complex	shutterstock com - 716665822
sentences. Introduction of apostrophes and using fronted adverbials whilst remembering how to use grammar previously taught in all our work. Reading – We will continue to be using our successful Accelerated Reader System and reading in school daily. It is important that your child continues to read aloud and talk about the story at home. It is suggested that in Class 2 the children should be reading for between 30 minutes to one hour every evening. Please sign and comment in their Reading Record.	Geography / Art/ Technology – Rainforests Our main theme this term is the Rainforest so we will be exploring and investigating all things Amazon! This will also include_ <u>Growing Seasons/Rainforest Fruit salad</u> Understand seasonality, and know where and how a variety of ingredients are grown, reared, caught and processed. <u>Drawing and making Rainforest Nature and Patterns</u> To create sketch books to record their observations and use them to review and revisit ideas. (clay frogs, paper mache, parrots, bracelet shading, Henri Rousseau's paintings looking at layers and leaves,
Spanish – We will learn how to use basic greetings, ask directions, sing songs and how to count to 20 in Spanish. We will launch this topic with our own Spanish Day- details to follow!	Science We will be finishing off our light and sound topic, then looking at the habitats of animals in the Rainforest
 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 continue to learn about the Christian Faith 	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
and how Jesus influences Christian Beliefs and the importance of Jesus and his teachings.	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.
The children will have sport at Willowburn on Mondays The KS 2 children will continue take part in our Daily Mile. The second PE session of the week will be athletics, tennis and rounders PE kit is to be worn to school as usual on Mondays. Our other PE session is on Fridays so please make sure full PE kit is in on this day.	Computing we will be using the internet as a research tool. We will use our laptops as a publishing and design tool. We will be learning about the importance of being safe and responsible online. We will also develop our work on control technology and a programme called Scratch.

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<u>Reminders –</u>

Mrs Chisholm covers Mrs Athey's PPA time. This term it is on Wednesday afternoons and the topic is Science. In the absence of Mrs Buckingham, our regular supply teacher who is currently may also teach class 2 whilst I am at meetings.

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 have been given planners to use for messages and information. Please ensure it is signed every week as I check planners every Friday.

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 will continue to use our Primary Sports Funding to pay for specialist sport and swimming at Willowburn and transport costs this term but please note this may not continue in the future as we are always looking at ways in which to best spend this money for the continued sporting provision for all children.

Forest Schools sessions are every Friday – Please ensure wellingtons are in school for this session as we go out whatever the weather!

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

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

Kind Regards,

Belinda Athey.