Great Chesterford C E Primary Academy

Class 4 Newsletter - Summer Term 2019

Dear Children and Parents,

This term our class topic is entitled 'Greece – Ancient and Modern'. Through our topic studies, we will be looking at a range of work related to Greece. This will include Ancient Greece, Ancient Greek artwork, Greek cooking and a comparison of Attica with East Anglia. If you have any photos, postcards or souvenirs from Greece or East Anglia, please send them in as we would like to create a classroom display to show the comparison.

Staffing arrangements will remain the same: Mrs Sargeant will be teaching every Monday, Wednesday and Friday and Ms Benson will be teaching the class every Tuesday and Thursday. Mrs Mannix will be supporting as the Class 4 teaching assistant and Mrs Fox will continue to support identified individuals and groups. Mrs Middleton will continue to support the teaching of music on a Friday. One additional arrangement is that we welcome Mr Duers, who will be teaching the class for a PE session on a Thursday afternoon this term.

P.E./Games

P.E. usually takes place on Thursday and Friday afternoons. Children should have in school both indoor and outdoor PE kits this term. For indoor use, a white T. shirt, navy shorts/skort and plimsolls will be needed, which they should keep in their boxes in a named P.E. bag. As hopefully most P.E. lessons will take place outside, they should also have available trainers. A navy tracksuit top may be useful. Please note that hooded tops cannot be worn for P.E. Please ensure all items of clothing are clearly labelled. Earrings must be removed for P.E. lessons. If your child is unable to participate in a P.E. lesson, please inform us in writing.

Art

Please could the children have a named art apron/old shirt available in school for art lessons.

S.R.E.

This term we will be covering the Sex and Relationship Education work. Should you wish to see the resources used or have any questions regarding this, please come and speak to us.

Homework

Children in Class 4 will have one maths task to complete each week and they are expected to spend up to 20 minutes on this. Fluency in times-table and related division facts is essential for maths development. Regular practise on apps such as TTRockStars will support with this.

Reading is an important part of homework and research has shown the benefit of all primary school-aged children reading to an adult. Children in Class 4 should read to an adult daily for at least 15 minutes. The adult should record the reading progress and any discussions had about the text in their child's school diary. If children are not reading to an adult, additional homework tasks will be set – please see the newsletter dated 5.4.19. To promote reading in school, the children will continue with their reading challenge.

Class Assembly

Our class assembly will be on **Friday 7th June**. Everyone is welcome to attend.

We are looking forward to another busy, enjoyable and, hopefully, sunny term ahead. Please make sure your child comes to school each day with a named water bottle so that they can stay hydrated; long-lasting sun cream; and a sun hat.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Sargeant and Ms Benson