

KIRTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

TERM 1 NEWSLETTER 2021



Year 2

September 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

We would like to welcome you to the start of a new term. The children have already settled in well and are very busy with their daily timetable.

Our Topic

Term 1: Famous People

In our topic this term, we will be learning about local famous figures and how they have had significant impact on the lives of others. We will also be using our investigative skills to find out more about these people and will be summarising our findings in a range of text types. We will begin to sequence significant people and events in chronological order.

Maths and English

In maths lessons, children will be learning about: place value, addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, properties of shapes, measurement, position and direction and fractions.

In order to support your child, you could help them with their weekly homework as well as activities such as looking for capacity measurements on bottles at home and making fractions with toys or even food!

It would really support your child if they were confident with their times tables. This would help them in all areas of maths. This term your child needs to learn the two times table, three times table, the ten times table and five times table.

In English, we will be learning about: *recounts, biographies, stories by significant authors, newspaper reports and narratives.*

In order to support your child, you could read a local newspaper or explore books by talented authors such as Roald Dahl and Anthony Browne.

The spellings your child will be learning this term can be accessed through our school website; it would be really useful if you could help your child to learn these spellings.

Please encourage your child to read at home every day and ask them questions about what they are reading at every opportunity. We aim to change books regularly and always love to read comments written by adults at home in their blue reading records.

Your child may bring a water bottle to school. Please ensure the bottle is clearly named and only contains water.

PE

Our PE days are Thursdays and Fridays. Please ensure that your child has the appropriate PE kit. For outdoor games, the children need plain black/navy tracksuit bottoms, a plain white t-shirt, a plain sweatshirt and trainers. For indoor PE, the children need plain black/navy shorts, a plain white t-shirt and plimsolls. Every item needs to be clearly labelled and in a bag that will remain in school every day. Kits will be taken home to be washed at the end of each term. No items should be taken home during the term.

Homework

Homework is set on a Friday and will continue to support your child's education. It will include weekly maths and English activities as well as reading, some spelling investigations and multiplication facts. If there are ever any problems about the homework please come and see us as soon as possible.

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Create fractions of an amount using objects and toys at home.

Use a ruler to measure the length and height of a range of toys or objects.

Go on a shape hunt around your house or garden. What shapes can you see? Each time you spot a shape draw a line in the box next to the shape to create a tally. Which shape did you see the most? Which shape did you see the least?

Shape	
	
	
	
	
	
	
	

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Read the local newspaper to find out about famous people in your local community as well as explore how a newspaper report is set out.

Make your own famous people card game! Can you write some of your own clues/facts about a famous person for someone at home to be able to guess? Look at some of the examples below:



1. born 8th Jan, 1935
2. died 16th Aug, 1977
3. career start 1954
4. hometown Memphis
5. first hit "Heartbreak Hotel"
6. wife Priscilla
7. "King of Rock'n'Roll"

Guess who? - Elvis Presley



1. born 14th March, 1879
2. died 18th April, 1955
3. first wife Mileva Marić
4. life: GER, AUS, USA
5. discovery: photoelectric effect
6. Nobel Prize in 1921
7. theory of relativity

Guess who? - Albert Einstein



1. birthdate unknown, died 23rd April, 1616
2. age 18, wife Anne Hathaway
3. three children
4. actor and playwright
5. owner "King's Men"
6. famous sonnets + "Hamlet"

Guess who? - William Shakespeare



1. born 5th Dec, 1901
2. died 15th Dec, 1966
3. wife Lillian Bounds
4. film producer, showman
5. voice actor for his characters
6. innovator in animation
7. inventor of "Mickey Mouse"

Guess who? - Walt Disney

Important Dates

- 13.09.21 - Theatre Production for Y2 to Y6
- 20.09.21 - School Photographer YR to Y6
- 12.10.21 - Parents' evening 3.30-6.30pm
- 13.10.21 - Parents' evening 3.30-5pm
- 15.10.21 - Last day of term 1
- 01.11.21 - First day of term 2

Yours sincerely

Miss West
Year 2 Class Teachers

Mrs Valentine