

2P Newsletter 04.09.24

Autumn term - Africa



Teacher Mon-Wed STA Thur-Fri STA SLT OT STA
Miss Ponce Mrs Luckhurst Mrs Allgood Mrs Connolly Miss Kavanagh Mr Seagrove

Ms. Williams has now changed her name to Mrs. Hine and continues to be the Deputy Head Teacher with responsibility for Key Stage 2. Mrs. Enfield is now the Assistant Head Teacher with responsibility for Key Stage 2.

- **English** - We will start the term by exploring stories and their structure, using stories based on 'The Ghanaian Goldilocks'. We will explore the difference between fiction and non-fiction and personal recounts. We will be learning spellings and practising comprehension skills together in class each week.
- **Maths** - We will be exploring number, with a starting focus on place value and key number facts such as knowing, recalling and applying different number bond facts. We will also be exploring the 4 main operations along with the language of maths to solve one-step word problems.
- **Science** - We are going to be exploring the 3 States of Matter.
- **Music** - We are going to be exploring pitch and melody.
- **PSHCE & RE** - We are looking at the topic of 'Strengths and Jobs' in PSHCE and the Christmas story in RE.
- **History and Geography** - We will be learning about West Africa and the Kingdom of Benin.
- **DT, Food and Art** - We will be looking at the artist Claude Monet, exploring 'African instruments in DT and exploring hygiene and recipes in Food technology.
- **Life skills & social skills** - The students will be learning about The Alert programme this term and looking at self-esteem and awareness.

-PE kit bag and a couple of **spare carrier bags** (wet or muddy kit);
-2 x **plain white t-shirts**;
-2 x **white sports socks**;
-2 x **black sports socks** (for outdoor winter sports);
-2 **pairs of plain black shorts**;
-2 **pairs of plain tracksuit/jogging bottoms - black or navy blue**;
-1 x **plain white long-sleeved top** for trampolining (to avoid scraping elbows);
-**MHS fleece or plain blue / black sport jumper** for outdoor winter sports;

Messages

-Parents can use the student **Planners** to communicate any quick messages/reminders - we will also do so. Please **sign and date** in these books when your child has read at home.

-PE will be gymnastics on a Monday and trampolining on a Thursday. Please refer to the general PE kit list in the grey box. Please send your child in PE kits on these days.

- The **end of the school day** will be 3.50pm Monday/Wednesday, clubs on a Tuesday/Thursday finishing at 4.50pm and Fridays will be 2pm.

- 2P will be having **Forest School activities** onsite every **Tuesday this half term**, which is very exciting! Please send them in with a **change of outdoor footwear and waterproof jacket** as we will be outside even if it is raining and muddy! Please label all items sent in.

- **Snacks: We will provide** students with fruit and suitable healthy snacks so please **do not send** in any food with your child. **This is in line with our school policy being nut-free and supporting any additional allergies.**

Please do email any of the team if you have any questions
Best wishes from the 2P team 😊