



What's happening in the Eagles Class in the Autumn Term 2022?



We hope you all had a fantastic summer break and are looking forward to starting the new academic year in Eagles.

Miss Grant will be teaching you on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays and Mrs Beck will be teaching you on Thursdays and Fridays.

Our class TA this year is Mrs Bird and our LSA is Mrs Parsons.

Our value for life this term is: *Generosity* and we will be reflecting on this during our daily Collective Worship and as part of our daily school life, so please embrace any opportunities of *Generosity* with your child and take the time to talk about them.

In Maths this term we will be starting work using our new scheme, Power Maths.

Year 3 - Place Value within 1,000, Addition and Subtraction, Multiplication and Division

Year 4 - Place Value - 4-digit numbers, Addition and Subtraction, Multiplication and Division, Measure - Perimeter

We will continue our work on our speed of recall of the times tables and have regular maths meets where we focus on our arithmetic skills and reasoning skills. We also use Propellor Boards throughout the week.

In English this term we are focussing on: Narratives, Recounts, Poetry, Information texts, News Reports.

This term we will be learning.....

<i>Topic</i>	The Stone Age to the Iron Age
<i>Science</i>	Forces and Magnets
<i>DT / Art</i>	Using charcoal and paints to create cave paintings. Drawing animals. Watercolour, tone and silhouette work. Clay necklaces. Recipes from Stone Age cookery. Carving and crafting hunting spears.
<i>Music</i>	Whole Class Ensemble Teaching with Mr Woodgate, All pupils will be learning to play Samba music in a large ensemble. We will also be listening to and appraising a variety of music by different composers.
<i>RE</i>	How have Christians and Muslims contributed to society and culture? What does it mean to belong to the Christian community?
<i>Computing</i>	e-Safety, Technology in our lives, Programming (Scratch)
<i>PE</i>	Netball and Outdoor Adventurous Activities Year 4 pupils will be swimming during the first half of the Autumn Term
<i>French</i>	About ourselves, numbers, animals and pets

For this term, Eagles will have a PE session on Thursdays and Fridays. We will be continuing to ask children to come to school on these days ready to take part in their PE lesson. Please ensure that they have a kit suitable for outside (black shorts or tracksuit bottoms, house coloured t-shirt and a black jumper).

Year 4 pupils will be swimming on a Tuesday morning during the first half of the Autumn Term. They will need to bring a swim suit, towel, goggles and swim hat every Tuesday.

Forest school will be starting Wednesday 14th September, with Year 3 pupils attending that week and Year 4 the week after, further sessions will alternate between the year groups. Please make sure your child has wet weather gear - waterproof jacket, trousers and wellies in school - this can be left at school.

Art aprons are required to protect the children's clothing during art and design activities - these can be left in school.

Children will be expected to have their Reading Records in school with them everyday, but they will be checked by a member of staff on a Monday.

Homework

Spellings: Following on from the Introduction of Read, Write Inc. Phonics in both the Early Years and Key Stage One classes, we have chosen as a school to adopt Read Write Inc. Spelling for the majority of children in Key Stage Two. There will be a letter coming out in the next few weeks giving you more details about this and we will be assessing all children during the first half of the autumn term. In the meantime children can still access Spelling Frame and practise the different spelling patterns and word groups on there.

Reading: Please continue to support your child with their reading and understanding at home. We encourage them to read a **minimum of five times a week**. Please make a note in their reading record book which should come into school **every day**. Remember our 'Reading Challenge' is continuing, so keep up the great work with this.

Reading is very important as children are not only building fluency but also their knowledge of vocabulary, which is essential when tackling comprehension tasks. According to one source, if you read for twenty minutes a day you'll encounter an estimated 1,800,000 words over the course of a year whereas reading for only one minute a day will result in only 8,000 words. So, hearing children read regularly and reading to your children really does pay dividends in secondary school.

Written homework and Maths homework: This year all homework will be set in homework books, which need to be kept in their book bags. Children will be given a piece of English homework and Maths homework on alternate weeks. They will have a week to complete the task.

With all homework, be it spellings, reading comprehension, piece of writing or Maths activity, when parents interact with their children and provide support and interest in the activity that they are completing, we know that this goes a long way to help improve the learning outcomes for the child. Please involve yourself as much as you can with your child's home learning and if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us through the class email address.

We expect pupils to spend a minimum of 30minutes on their weekly task.

TTRS and Mymaths: We will continue with the times table challenge as part of the Times Tables Rock Stars programme. Please encourage your child to use the Times Table Rockstars programme on a regular basis in order to support and improve their knowledge and speed of recall of the multiplication tables.

Once we are up and running with pupil login details for Power Maths, we will also be setting some games that they can play to support the work that we are learning in class.

Knowledge Organisers

Over the course of the next few weeks, knowledge organisers will begin to appear on the school website. These will contain information about vocabulary, key facts and information that will be being discussed and covered across a unit of work. They will be shared with the pupils within the classroom and displayed on the walls. Please feel free to use them as a reference guide and discussion tool for what your child is learning.

If your child is self-isolating due to Covid please contact the school and once we have been made aware we will publish work for them on google classroom. Your child's login details from last academic year will remain the same.

Finally, if you have any questions, queries or concerns about your child please do send an email to the class email address, eagles@tacolneston.norfolk.sch.uk which will be checked once a day.

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