

Upper 3 Group Update

Dear Parent,

We hope you have had a good Christmas break.

In this flyer you will find information about some of the topics we will be working on this term, and ways in which you can support their learning at home.

What we will do in school...

What you could do together at home...

English

Initially we will be focusing on speaking and listening skills, including being able to make an appointment over the phone. We will then be reading and responding to a range of diaries from different periods.

Giving your child opportunities to answer the phone or make phone calls for a particular purpose would be helpful.

Maths

In our Maths lessons we will be looking at algebra and will then be moving on to learn about fractions. Once a week we will be having a Functional Maths lesson.

Giving your child the opportunity to use money regularly in a variety of contexts would be helpful, as would discussing the idea of budgeting and money management.

ICT

We will be developing our programming skills using the Scratch application.

Supporting the use of ICT in any context would be helpful. For some this could be mobile phones, for others it could be internet shopping and accessing other forms of ICT in the community.

Humanities

Our focus this term is British History. We will be studying the years from the reign of Elizabeth I through to the reign of Charles II, including the Civil War.

Talking to your child about the work they have been doing in class would be helpful.

Science

Our topic this term is Materials from the Earth. This will include learning about atoms, compounds, metals, oils and fuels.

Discussing your child's Science lessons with them would be helpful.

PSHE

We will be continuing our work on Sex and Relationships Education and we will also be doing some work on Personal Safety in a variety of environments.



Discussing your child's work with them would be helpful, including answering any questions they may think of outside of school or be too embarrassed to ask staff.



PE - every Tuesday and Wednesday

Please send a PE kit (any comfortable shorts or jogging trousers, T-shirt and appropriate footwear) and deodorant in a bag to change into for the session.



Home-School Book

We will write in the home-school book to let you know about anything non-routine and will also send a newsletter home at the end of each week. We encourage the students to be responsible for handing in and taking home their own home-school books, so please let them know if there is a particular reason they need to hand it in to us.

Please feel free to write what your child has been up to at home, any new achievements and any concerns or questions you may have.

Thank you for taking the time to read this flyer. If you have any other queries, please don't hesitate to contact us.

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