

Duncton – Spring Term Information 2018



We are all happily settled into an exciting and inspiring Spring Term.

Learning this term

Our theme this term is '**Where my Wellies Take Me**', based on a beautiful journal, filled with diary entries and poetry, written by Clare and Michael Morpugo.

In Geography, we will consider and compare differences and similarities between rural and urban environments and will be learning some map skills. Our History focus is Anglo-Saxons. As part of this Year 6 will be visiting Chichester Cathedral to investigate local history, linking this to the Anglo-Saxons and creating a historical time-line.

We will continue to develop enquiry based and independent learning skills across the curriculum. In Maths we will build on our problem solving and reasoning strategies, develop our understanding of the four operations and begin to investigate shape and statistics. In English, as ever, we will continue to focus on spelling and grammar. We will read and discuss a wide range of books and poetry. This will include a focus on myths and legends, particularly those from the Anglo-Saxon period. In writing we will provide opportunities and experiences for the children to use their reading knowledge and develop ideas for their own writing.

If you have any expertise, relating to our learning themes this term we would love to hear from you! If you also have any spare time and would like to come in and hear readers at school we would be most grateful. Please talk to your child's class teacher.

PE Days

We now have PE twice a week. This is on a **Wednesday** and **Thursday**. Please ensure your child has their **FULL** PE kit in school (purple top, black shorts, tracksuit trousers, white socks, trainers) and **all items are named!** Indoor and outdoor clothes are still required during the Spring term as we go outside as much as possible. Trainers are always best for outdoor PE.

Drop in

We will be re launching regular 'Drop in' times, which are a great opportunity for you as parents to see what your children are learning. These sessions will run every half term. These are a time when your children can show you what they have been learning and an ideal opportunity for them to explain the learning strategies we are teaching them in school. We are very aware that many parents have work commitments and find these harder to attend. If you cannot make the date this term then please just talk to your class teachers to arrange another time to pop in.

The date for this term is **Wednesday 31st January at 8.45 – 9.00**

Items from Home

Please remember, that home items should not be brought into school. These can cause a range of issues if lost or broken.

Homework

Homework will be sent home every Wednesday and should be returned the following Wednesday.

Our door is always open, please feel free to come and talk to us should you wish.

We are looking forward to a term of growth and exploration.

Duncton Teachers