

# Fox Class Newsletter

## Autumn Term 2021



Dear Parents and Guardians,

We hope you have had a fantastic summer holiday and you and your families are all safe and well. The following Newsletter will provide you with information about the Autumn Term in Fox Class.

### Fox Class Staff & Arrangements

The Year 6s will spend the morning with Miss Hepworth in Deer Class for Maths, English and Reading VIPERS. At the same time, the Year 4 and 5s will be in Fox class with Mr Jones, Miss Pickett and Miss Heartwood. Miss Pickett will be supporting the children Monday to Friday all day and Miss Heartwood will be supporting the children Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday mornings and Friday all day. Before lunchtime each day the two classes come together to complete our sentence of the day activity. In the afternoon they stay together with Miss Hepworth for the foundation subjects.

### Curriculum Information

Please see the table below for more information about the topics that will be covered within the subjects this term.

	<b>Units Covered</b>
<b>English</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Class Reads: The Wolves of Willoughby Chase &amp; Varjak Paw</li><li>• Y4 &amp; Y5: Defeating the Monster – Beowulf</li><li>• Y4 &amp; Y5: Warning Story – The Canal</li><li>• Y6: Quest Story – Kidnapped</li><li>• Y6: Warning Story – The Caravan</li></ul>
<b>Maths</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Throughout the term, children will be following The White Rose Maths Program of Study</li></ul>
<b>Science</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Miss Toms will be teaching the following science units this term:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Changes of State</li><li>- Earth and Space</li></ul></li></ul>
<b>PSHE</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Throughout the term, children will be following the Brook learning PSHE programme of study</li></ul>
<b>Computing</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Computational thinking</li></ul>
<b>RE</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Creation Stories and Science</li><li>• Religious Celebrations</li></ul>
<b>History</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The Egyptians</li></ul>
<b>Geography</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Egypt and the River Nile</li></ul>
<b>Design &amp; Technology</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Textiles: Fastening</li></ul>
<b>Art &amp; Design</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Leonardo Da Vinci</li></ul>
<b>Music</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Mr Warwick will continue to teach the children music on Monday afternoon.</li></ul>
<b>PE</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Thursday: Tag Rugby with Jack from Plymouth Argyle</li><li>• Friday: Dance</li></ul>

<b>French</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Basics of French</li><li>• Our Journey to School/Travel</li></ul>
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### Homework

Our expectation for homework is outlined below.

- **Daily Reading** - Please read with your child every day. Reading books and diaries will be sent home with children on a daily basis. Any reading done with your child should be recorded in their reading diary please. We will be providing children with their reading diaries for this year very soon.
- **Weekly Timetables** – ‘Timetable Rock Stars’ sheets will be sent home on a Monday so that your child can practice for their daily test which will take place at the end of daily maths lessons. Children are also able to login to this website during the week to compete in tournaments and improve other times tables.
- **Weekly Spelling** - There will be a range of spelling activities for your child to complete online using **Spelling Shed**. Your child’s weekly spellings will be made available on Monday. They will be expected to learn them throughout the week ready to be tested in school on Friday. Please see attached login information for your child. A **Spelling Shed** ‘Guide for Parents’ will be sent home with this week’s newsletter.

We will also cover other curriculum days aimed at building on our overriding curriculum focus: healthy body, healthy mind, healthy planet.

As always, please do not hesitate to get in touch should you have any questions.

*Best wishes,*

*Miss Hepworth, Mr Jones, Miss Heartwood and Miss Pickett*

*Fox Class Team*