

Shakespeare Class Newsletter September 2017



Welcome to our new school year and Shakespeare Class!!

This year we will continue to have Mrs O'Kelly in our classroom, with the addition of Mrs Blows to help us. We are looking forward to an exciting year, and I am sure we will learn lots and have lots of fun!

Our **topic** this term is AD900. In this we are looking at the Vikings and the Mayans. As part of this we will be taking a trip to the Jorvik Museum. We are so lucky to live in York!

In **English** we are reading our class novel "The Legend of Podkin One-Ear" and doing lots of reading and writing activities around this brilliant story. We will also be writing persuasively - so watch this space!

Your child should have brought home a **reading book and reading journal**. Please ensure your child reads the book and records it in the journal which you should sign.

For **spellings**, children are using a Spelling Zapper in school to learn words, however the week's spellings will be in the planner to be sent home soon.

In **R/E** we shall be looking at Creation from a Christian perspective. We will also be studying Human Rights and the Rights of the Child.

In **Computing** we are learning how to write a blog about inventors and new technology.

In **Maths** we are developing a "mastery" approach to teaching this subject - we hope that our children will grow in confidence to explain their maths as we use concrete and pictorial methods to embed the skills they need to succeed. Please help by practicing mental maths - eg times tables & division facts, number bonds to 100.



P.E is on Monday afternoon, and we shall be learning how to play net and ball games.

We have already started swimming lessons at Energise on a Tuesday - please ensure that your child has some goggles so that they can enhance their progress in the water.

Homework

Is given out on a Monday, and we are trialling a new kind of "Takeaway" homework from next week. Please look out for this.

Planner

Your child will be bringing home a super planner which has lots of useful information in it. It will be useful in lessons so please ensure that your child brings it to school each day. When the homework for that week is done, please sign the planner to confirm the homework completed by your child.

Visit to Food Festival

Next Wednesday 27th September we will be visiting the York Food Festival in St Sampson's Square and the Shambles. Children will be taking part in various food workshops. They will leave school at 9am and return in time for lunch. Children should wear full school uniform with a waterproof coat as they will be walking there. If you would like to help on this visit, please get in touch as soon as possible

Please speak to me if you have any questions, concerns or queries about anything!!

*Miss Connolly, Mrs O'Kelly &
Mrs Blows*