



UPPER KEY STAGE 2 SUMMER TERM NEWSLETTER 3



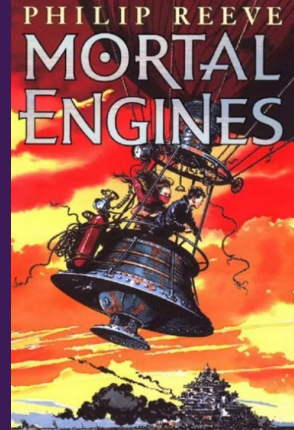
**ORCHARD
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JUNIOR, INFANT
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As we start our summer term, it has been wonderful to welcome back our UKS2 cohort after their Easter break. We have been impressed with the ease in which the children have returned to school routines and their attitude towards their learning. The cohort has returned with a renewed focus and dedication towards all aspects of their learning, and as the summer term continues, we are keen to maintain this motivation and success!

Reading, Writing, Maths and Science

We are starting the new term with a brand-new text, 'Mortal Engines', which all our curriculum will be centred around. In our writing lessons, we will be focusing on developing our spelling and grammar skills through genre writing. We will begin with a diary entry followed by a flashback story; all based around the themes and characters of 'Mortal Engines'. In Maths lessons, Year 5 continuing to build their knowledge and skills within shape, direction and position whilst Year 6 will be consolidating their learning through use of their arithmetic and reasoning skills. In Science, we will be developing an understanding on evolution and inheritance within animals and understand how some characteristics are passed on. In the second part of our summer term we will be developing our knowledge on animals including humans specifically around the circulatory system.



Curriculum

In History, we will be learning about the Stone Age to Iron Age. We will delve into understanding how humans survived during this time and the differences in aspects of life for different people across Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age. In Geography, we will be continuing our learning of mapping and location using a compass and grid references, ensuring children are building on their previous key stage learning. During our music lessons, we will be composing our own music, playing and performing to an audience, whilst developing our ability to appraise each other's music and our own. In addition, in PSHE children will explore how to stay safe and learn the steps we can take to stay safe from abuse, exploitation and harm.

PE Information

Class 5 - Thursday

Class 5/6 – Friday

Class 6 – Tuesday

Children will come to school dressed in their PE kit on these days. Please ensure kits are fully labelled and follow the school uniform guidance.

Key dates

SATs Week- Monday 12th May – Thursday 15th May

Year 5 Residential – Monday 9th June – Wednesday 11th June.

Year 6 Experience- Wednesday 18th June and Friday 20th June.

Homework

Homework will continue to be provided on a weekly basis. Each child will receive their homework on a Tuesday and it is expected to be returned on a Monday. If returned on time, each child will be awarded with 2 dojo points.

Homework consists of 5 spellings, maths, reading and grammar to ensure our children are retaining the skills they are learning. Please also encourage your child to read each day as this can have a huge impact on your child's learning and progression.

Thank you for your continued support with your child's progress and learning.
Feel free to arrange an appointment to discuss anything if necessary.

Miss Kinlough, Miss Leyland-Brown, Mr Bayliss

