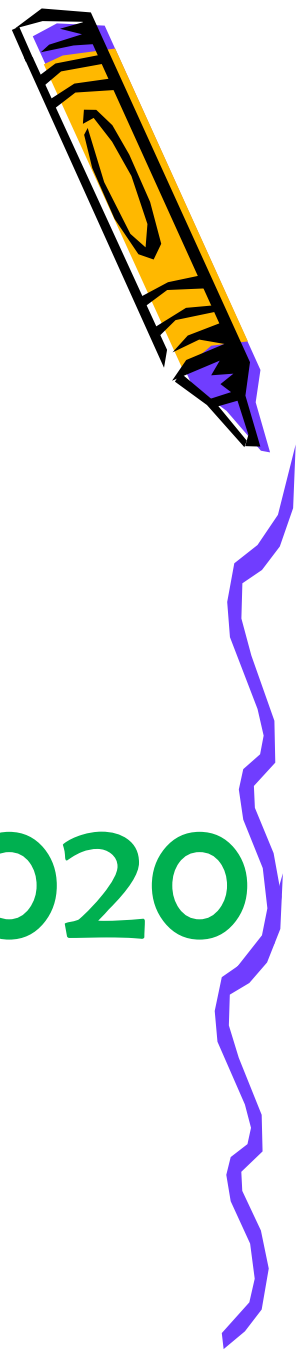


Kites Welcome Meeting September 2020



Kites Team

Miss Green

with the support of

Mrs Spencer

Monday - Friday

Mrs Crowther

Monday, Wednesday and Friday

Miss Wilkins

Tuesday and Thursday

Mr Honey

Computing (Wednesday)

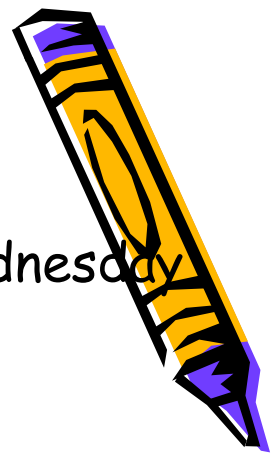
Mrs Fiona Hayter has kindly agreed to be Kites Parent Representative for this year. Further details of how to contact her will be sent to all class parents soon.



Equipment in school

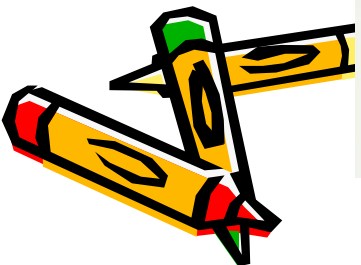
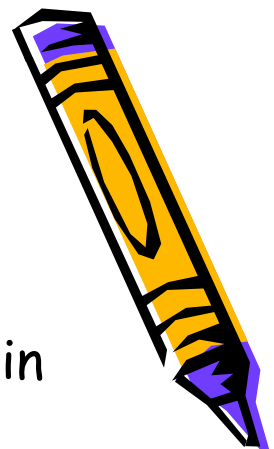
- P.E. kits - kept in school for lessons on Tuesday and Wednesday
- Water bottle - every day
- Packed lunch/ Dolce lunch
- Healthy snack for morning break
- Reading books - every day (*all children will be given a book - free readers will become part of the classes book club*)
- *Suitable clothing to go outdoors* - we will try to get outdoors for some of our lessons throughout this term.

We have provided children with individual packs containing pens, pencils, colours, white boards and glue sticks so there is no need to bring pencil cases to school.



Growth Mindset

Children will be developing their growth mindset by considering approaches to their learning. We would encourage them to continue with this at home as well as in school.

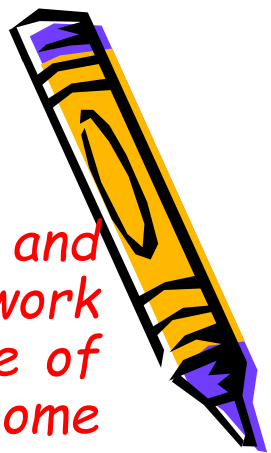


Homework

The setting of homework is currently under review and therefore the class have not yet been given any homework books. For the time being homework will be set using one of our online platforms each week. Login details will be sent home with your child soon.

Current Expectations:

- 1) Read every day for at least 20 minutes
- 2) To practise their times tables on Times Table Rock Stars at least 3 times per week.
- 3) To practise their spellings. Activity sheets will continue to come home on a Friday and words tested the following Friday. *(These are to help the children learn the words and therefore, I do not need to have these returned to school as the evidence will be on the review of the words each week in class).*



Reading

Reading is a big focus in Kites class. The children will take part in reading discussion, comprehension of texts and practical tasks. They will also be encouraged to experience different types of genre and share their ideas.

- An adult will read to the class everyday - the current class novel is 'The Train to Impossible Places' (*Part of the class book box bought by the past Year Six and Mrs Dean*)
- Complete reading comprehension tasks to improve understanding, retelling, inference and predicting.
- Whole class guided reading sessions: Our current text is 'The Secrets of Vesuvius': A Roman Story' by Caroline Lawrence from The Roman Mysteries Series.
- Home reading either from individual reading books or small group readers as part of Kites book club.
(*Like an adult book club - but more fun!*)



Science

- For the first half-term we will be studying '**Sound**'. This will include practical investigations looking at how sound travels and what amplifies or reduces the volume. Sessions will be linked to real life experiences and developments in scientific thinking around the areas of sound.
- During the second half term they will investigate '**States of Matter**'. Throughout the work children will be developing their skills for working scientifically, by designing their own investigations, observing closely and comparing items, classifying and researching and fair testing.
- Children also have access to **Science club** via the school website (class pages, Science pupil page). There you can find lots of activities, videos and web links to try at home.



Topics this year

Autumn

The Romans and their impact on Britain

Spring

Anglo Saxons and the Celts

Summer

Masterchef

