

# Class LC Newsletter

November 2017 – Autumn Term 2

It's hard to believe we are in the second half term already - it'll soon be Christmas! As always, we have a lot to squeeze in.

Thank you to those parents who were able to attend the consultation evening earlier this term. If you were unable to attend and would like to discuss your child's work and progress, please arrange to come and see me. You should also have received your child's first progress report and a leaflet designed to support you in helping your child at home.



## **Creative Curriculum**

This half term, our topic title is "I Am Warrior". It has a largely historical focus, particularly looking at the Romans in Britain. We will start by thinking about why the Romans came to Britain and why they went into battle with the Celts. We will then think about what it might have been like to be a Celtic or a Roman warrior and comparing the two.

In geography we will be comparing Britain and Italy and using maps. In art and design we will be looking at Roman mosaics, shields and helmets, food, drawing and sculpture.

In literacy, we will cover newspaper reports, soliloquies, historical narrative, play scripts, and instructions.

We will be focusing on significant historical figures from the period, including Boudicca, Julius Caesar and Claudius.

Our topic also lends itself to looking at Roman Numerals in maths!

This half term we will be learning a stand-alone science topic, looking at electricity - what it is, where it comes from, building circuits, what are insulators and conductors and how to be safe around electricity.

Our PSHE topic will follow the 'Taking Care' programme.

What a busy half term! If children have any personal stories or artefacts that they would like to share as part of the topic, they are more than welcome to bring them in. Learning Log homework will be emailed separately.



## Helping at Home

Thank you to those parents who attended the parent consultation evening at the start of this half term. The partnership between school and home is imperative for your child's progress and development. I gave out a booklet at parents' evening with details of the most significant ways you can support your child at home and the homework expectations. Please let me know if you do not have a copy of this and I will be happy to print you another one or send an electronic copy.

### Homework Dates

Monday - French books due in

Wednesday - MyMaths homework due

Thursday - Spelling and homework books due in

Friday - spelling tests

### Pencil Cases and Cushions

Your child may bring **one** pencil case to school but they do not have to - the resources we need are available in the classroom.

They may also bring a sensible cushion to sit on in class, which should be clearly named.

If pencil cases or cushions become a distraction, they will be confiscated and returned at the end of the day. If they continue to be a distraction, then children will no longer be allowed to bring them in.



### Diary Dates

#### **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November**

Dress up day for Children in Need.

#### **23<sup>rd</sup> November**

Singing at the switching on of the Christmas Lights.

#### **30<sup>th</sup> November**

St Andrew's Day service, Shottery Church

#### **20<sup>th</sup> December**

Carol Service at Shottery Church 6pm-7pm. **All pupils to attend**

#### **22<sup>nd</sup> December**

Theatre trip to Raymond Briggs' *Father Christmas*, last day of term.

My door is always open - if you have any questions or concerns regarding your child then please do come and see me.

Thank you, Miss Cooper