



Antingham & Southrepps
Primary School



Antingham & Southrepps Primary School Curriculum Information Letter- September 2023

Year 4/5/6

Nick Vujcic's Class

Dear Parents/Carers,

We would like to welcome you back to school and hope that you had a happy and eventful summer break. In this letter you will find an overview of the work that your child will be completing during this Autumn Term 2023 in school. Please find opportunities to support your child's learning by doing additional research on new topics (pre-tutoring).

Your child will also have Homework Challenges to allow them to explore this term's curriculum in exciting ways with you at home. It is really important to read/share books daily with your child. We encourage children to read daily for 10-15 minutes each day. Reading books must be in school every day whether you read at home or not.

Value	<p>The core value this term is: <u>Kindness</u> and <u>Responsibility</u></p> <p>We will work in class and within all our school to promote kindness in our actions and being responsible with our attitudes.</p>
English	<p>Reading: During this term we will be working on a series of texts and using the 'Reading Gems' to guide our work.</p> <p>We will be focusing on how to apply specific reading skills, such as 'Define', 'Retrieve' and 'Predict'. The children will have the opportunity to improve their reading skills by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • using dictionaries; • understanding how to skim and scan a passage looking for words and phrases; and • how to predict what might happen next based on the information they have read. <p>Writing: Our main writing project this term is writing a diary. The aim is to give the children the opportunity to use detailed descriptions, write in a range of past tense forms, use fronted adverbials, rhetorical questions and use a wide range of devices to add detail and feelings to their writing.</p> <p>Text: 'Young, Gifted and Black', by Jamia Wilson 'The Race to the Frozen North' by Catherine Johnson.</p> <div data-bbox="352 1906 647 2074"> </div>

Maths	We will cover this term: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Place Value ▪ Addition and Subtraction, ▪ Multiplication and Division, ▪ Perimeter and ▪ Fractions (Year 5/6). 	
Science	Autumn 1: Forces and mechanisms, where we will learn about gravity, air resistance, water resistance and friction.	Autumn 2: Earth and Space, covering the Solar System and its spherical celestial bodies.
Computing	We will be learning about computing systems and search engines. This will give the chance for children to use search engines effectively and safely, as well as learning to collect data and information.	
PE & Sports	Our PE days are <u>Mondays</u> and <u>Wednesdays</u> . This term we will be doing Yoga and Dance, to develop coordination and improve well-being. Children will need to come in with their P.E kit on. Please could they wear a red t-shirt or white t-shirt, with black leggings/shorts and a pair of trainers. Parents are asked not to send children to school wearing jewellery during PE days. This is on safety grounds as rings, necklaces, earrings etc. can be hazardous for both the wearer and others. If they come into school with earrings on a PE, they will be asked to take them out or they will be covered with tape.	
Bushcraft	We have Bushcraft every <u>Thursday</u> . Please make sure children bring with them old clothes to change into before the lesson. These clothes are likely to get muddy and messy. Also, please can they have a waterproof coat ready for wet cold days.	
Latin/French	We are learning simple sentences in Latin.	
History	In History, the children will be learning about Ancient China creating timelines and thinking about the chronology of events during this period. The children will explore the: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Shang Dynasty ▪ Oracle bones and religious beliefs ▪ Bronze Age in ancient China ▪ Significance of jade and silk ▪ Power and social hierarchy 	
Geography	This term, our topic is 'Investigating our World' and the children will be learning about locating map features using a range of methods.	
PSHE/RSE	For PSHE this term, we will look at how to 'Keep safe' and 'peer pressure'. Children will develop their understanding of trust, friendships, how to keep ourselves and others safe.	
R.E	This term, we will be exploring Christianity through lines of enquiry. This term's enquiry question is 'Is believing in God reasonable?'	
Art & Design	In Art, we will start the term working with tints, shades and tones. Later on in the term, we will start our DT project, which involves the children working with mechanisms and learning about pneumatic systems.	
Attendance & Punctuality	This year we have a school target of <u>96%</u> for children.	
Helping your child at home	It is very important that your child attends school every day that they are fit and well. Please check our website or telephone the school office if you are unsure about whether to send your child into school or not. Pupils with attendance of less than 90% are regarded by the Government as having Persistent Absence and pupils with attendance in danger of falling to this level will be invited into school for support and an action plan (to restore their attendance to a level that will allow them to achieve well at school).	

	<p>Pupils with COVID symptoms or those who have been requested to isolate by the school or NHS should not attend school until the date agreed for return (3 days for pupils).</p>
<p>Important dates for this term</p>	<p>September 2023</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Monday 18th September 2023: Genes for Jeans Day ▪ Tuesday 19th September 2023: Meet the Teacher Meetings (3.30pm) ▪ Wednesday 20th September 2023: Swimming lessons start for Year 5 & Year 6 – The Reef-Sheringham ▪ Friday 22nd September 2023: Year 6 Parents SATs & High School Meeting – 9.00am ▪ Thursday 28th September 2023: School Photos – Individual & Siblings – Tempest Photography <p>October 2023</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Tuesday 3rd October 2023: HARVEST FESTIVAL ▪ Tuesday 10th October 2023: Nick Vujicic Class Assembly/Showcase (1.30pm) ▪ Monday 16th October 2023: Year 4 & Year 5 Bikeability Course (TBC) ▪ Tuesday 17th October 2023: Year 4 & Year 5 Bikeability Course (TBC) ▪ Thursday 19th October 2023: Year 4, 5 & 6 Tag Rugby Event – Holt Rugby Club ▪ Tuesday 31st October 2023: Whole School Halloween Disco (4.00pm) <p>November 2023</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Wednesday 8th November 2023: Year 6 National Child Measurement Programme with School Nursing Team ▪ Monday 13th November 2023: SCIENCE WEEK ▪ Wednesday 15th November 2023: ANTI-BULLYING DAY ▪ Friday 17th November 2023: CHILDREN IN NEED ▪ Friday 17th November 2023: Autumn Term School Reports to Parents ▪ Tuesday 21st November 2023: Parents Evening – 3.15pm-5.00pm ▪ Thursday 23rd November 2023: Parents Evening – 3.15pm-6.00pm ▪ Friday 24th November 2023: Whole School Talent Show – 1.30pm ▪ Tuesday 28th November 2023: Sports Hall Athletics Event for Year 4, 5 & 6 – Cromer Academy ▪ Wednesday 29th November 2023: LAST SWIMMING LESSON FOR YEAR 5 & YEAR 6 <p>December 2023</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Friday 1st December 2023: School Christmas Fayre (2.00pm) ▪ Thursday 7th December 2023: Whole School Christmas Performance (1.30pm) ▪ Tuesday 12th December 2023: Christmas Pantomime by Purple Dream Productions – Beauty & The Beast ▪ Wednesday 13th December 2023: Whole School Christmas Lunch and Jumper Day – parents invited, information to follow ▪ Wednesday 20th December 2023: END OF AUTUMN TERM ▪ Thursday 21st December 2023 – Thursday 4th January 2024: CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS
<p>School Trips</p>	<p>We have planned to go:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Wednesday 8th November 2023: Nick Vujicic Class (3 Earham Rd, Norwich NR2 3RA) visit to Norwich Synagogue. The children will have an opportunity to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ identify key features of the synagogue ✓ discover how the synagogue is used by the community ✓ see the Torah and how it is taken out of the ark and read ✓ explore traditions for Shabbat, the Jewish Sabbath ✓ learn about the Jewish dietary laws and what makes food kosher ✓ discover ways in which Jews use prayer ▪ Thursday 16th November 2023 – Whole school visit to the Sea Life Aquarium Great Yarmouth (Marine Parade, Great Yarmouth NR30 3AH). The children will be able to see creatures from the ocean and learn about how to keep our ocean safe.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Thursday 14th December 2023 – Whole school visit to the Hippodrome Circus (43A St George's Rd, Great Yarmouth NR30 2EU). This is a very exciting opportunity to see some amazing talent, singers and acrobats.
Curriculum Information	This term, we will be learning about 'Dynamic Dynasties' and the children will be exploring the history of Ancient China, focusing primarily on the Shang Dynasty. The children will explore the legacy of the first five Chinese dynasties, some of which can still be seen in the world today.
Homework	<p>We encourage children to complete as many of these challenges as they can during the span of the term. The challenges supplement, consolidate and support your child's curriculum learning in class and give you a valuable opportunity to work with your child on the same work they are completing in school. Children who return their sheet completed will receive dojo points.</p> <p>I am planning a special prize for children who complete their homework and read at home at least three times a week. All of the children have been given a reading record and I would love to see a note from parents confirming they have been reading.</p>

If you have any questions, please telephone the school office and I will make arrangements to contact you by phone or in person.

Kind regards,
Ms Perkins