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Whales Class Summer 1 Curriculum Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back after Easter! We have a busy half term planned and our curriculum map can be found on the back of this letter. Please make sure your child has a named jumper and coat (whilst it's still chilly and you never know when it might rain!) and can we also take this opportunity to remind you that children should bring a named drink bottle each day and that it should contain water, not juice, unless otherwise agreed with senior leadership. Snacks brought from home need to be fruit only and packed lunches should not include sweets/chocolate bars/multiple packets of crisps.

Diary Dates

Class Photos - Tuesday 25th April

Bank Holidays - Monday 1st and Monday 8th May

Whales class Residential - Wednesday 3rd May to Friday 5th May

Half Term - Friday 26th May to Monday 5th June

Staff

Below is a table explaining who will be teaching Whales during the week.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
AM	Mrs Gkikopoulos (until 10:30 am) then Mrs Howarth	Mrs Gkikopoulos	Mrs Gkikopoulos	Mrs Gkikopoulos	Mrs Gkikopoulos
PM	Mrs Howarth	Mrs Gkikopoulos	Mrs Gkikopoulos	Mrs Gkikopoulos	Mrs Sparey



Class Dojo

Keep a track of how your child is doing on Class Dojo - if you haven't already, please follow the link in the instruction letter sent out last term. Please note, teachers **will not** be responding to any messages sent on Class Dojo, so please continue to contact the school office for messages and enquiries.

Homework

- All children are expected to **read for a minimum of 10 minutes daily**. They have been given a reading record book to record their reads (this can be done by themselves or by an adult). They will receive a Dojo point for being 'Responsible Readers'.
- Children will receive a **weekly homework task in their homework books**. This will be set on a Friday, to be handed in on Thursdays. This will be a Maths/English/ Science based task.
- Children are also expected to continue practising their **times tables skills using Times Table Rockstars**. Children should already have their login, but this should also be in their homework books.
- We will also be sending out the '**Homework tasks**' grids for children to complete as and when they like. It's lots of fun!

PE

PE will be on **Monday** with Mrs Howarth and again on **Wednesday** with Mrs Gkikopoulos. Children should wear their PE kit into school on those days. PE kit should be a plain white T-shirt and dark (navy/black) bottoms and jumper when needed (not hooded), plus suitable trainers.

Use of the KS2 climbing frame

Children must wear trainers rather than school shoes to avoid bringing mud into the classroom. Please ensure your child has suitable shoes if they wish to use the climbing frame, or to go onto the school field.

Just one Norfolk

A reminder that justonenorfolk contains a wide range of information and support for families ranging from healthy eating, creating sleep routines, child development, family support, family break up and emotional needs to name but a few. <https://www.justonenorfolk.nhs.uk/>

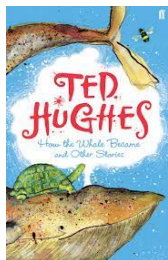


With best wishes,
Mrs Gkikopoulos

Science

Whales will be learning all about living things and their habitats this half term. We will begin by exploring what habitats are, investigating the microhabitats we have on our school grounds, learning how to classify living things, making our own classification keys and discovering the effects of human activity on the stability of our habitats. Much of our learning on our How Hill residential will be relevant to this topic also.

Key Vocab: vertebrates, fish, amphibians, reptiles, mammals, insects, invertebrates, habitat, ecosystem, classification key, criteria, microhabitat, environmental damage.



Mathematics

We begin the term by continuing with fractions and decimals, then we will move on to recap and develop our calculation skills, and finally capacity and time. We also begin each day with 'Fluent in Five' and practise our times tables throughout the week.

PE

In PE this term we will be continuing with Real PE and will also begin athletics outside - weather permitting - in preparation for Sports Day later in the summer.

Computing

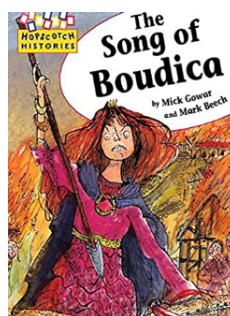
The children will be learning to apply their knowledge and understanding of networks, to appreciate the internet as a network of networks which need to be kept secure.

Key Vocab: network, internet, routers, connect, world wide web, device, upload, storage, truth, legal.

History

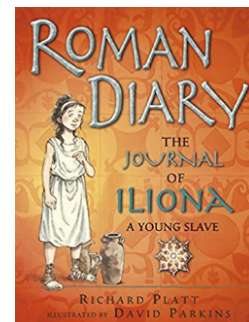
Whales will be learning all about the Roman invasion of Britain this half term. We will look closely at the terms 'invade' and 'settle', the motives for invasion and the reaction of the Celtic tribes - specifically Boudica!

Key Vocab: Invade, settle, conquer, combat, colonise, inhabit, empire, expand, submit, revolt, rebellion



English

We will be reading 'Roman Diary: The Journal of Iliona, a Young Slave' by Richard Platt and we will then write a diary entry following the Jane Considine sentence stacking technique.



We will also be reading this text in our regular 'Book Talk' sessions, using the Jane Considine Reading Rainbow to improve reading skills.

We will also be using our experiences from our residential to complete some writing challenges, including poetry!

Additionally, we will have daily spelling/phonics and regular handwriting sessions.

Children will learn a new set of spellings every week and their progress will be regularly assessed.

Music

We are lucky to have some drumming lessons this term with Mr Newlands from the county music service, who is an experienced drumming and music teacher

Key Vocab: soul, groove, riff, hook, backbeat, tempo, samba

Religious Education

This term, we will be looking at the big question 'What do Muslims believe about God?' We will be looking at the key beliefs of Islam, the five pillars, the Qur'an and how it is used.

Key Vocab:
Allah, Muhammad (PBUH), Muslim, Recitation, Qur'an, Revelation, Prophet, Shahadah, Tawhid.

Art

Children will be designing and creating animated drawings using a variety of techniques
Key vocab: Observe, continuous line drawing, join, limbs, articulate

FLOURISH LESSON

Children will be discovering their 'Relationships' and communicating in a safe environment
Key vocab: differences, similarities, respect, rights

French

This term we will be learning about verbs in the unit 'Je peux...' (I can)
Key Vocab: parler, sauter, écouter, écrire, boire, cuisiner, manger, regarder, danser, chanter

Geography

Children's learning will focus on the physical and human aspects of European geography this half term. We will begin by recapping KS1 knowledge of the continents, then delving further into our own continent using maps, flags, languages and currency to identify different European countries.

Key Vocab: human, physical, northern hemisphere, NSWE, borders, coastline, sea-border, land-locked, currency, flags, language

