COMET-Rocket Class - Summer 1 2024

Can you believe we are in the final term of the academic year? This year really has flown by and the children have all made super progress! It is going to be a very long and very busy term, but hopefully the brighter weather will start to appear soon.

Timetable

The children will follow a similar pattern of learning every morning with a 'busy start' task, collective worship, reading, English and Maths. Afternoon subjects take place in Rocket Class, including:

Friday

*PE in the afternoon with Mrs Cornforth *Music in the afternoon with Mrs Harris. (PE kit should be kept in school all week as sometimes they are needed on days other than Friday.)

Please ensure your child brings their blue book bag and water bottle **every day.** All items of clothing should be clearly named.

NB Please ensure book bags with reading records are in school every day (and kept separate from water bottles and food items to avoid spills).

Homework Expectation

All children have a **'reading for practice'** book. They are also encouraged to take a book or magazine from our class library for **'reading for pleasure'**, which is entirely their own choice and can be changed as often as they like. In Comet Class, children take turns to review and share a favourite book with their classmates. You will be notified when it is your child's turn to prepare a presentation. All children are expected to complete the right-hand side of their reading diary at home **on a weekly basis** please. This is shared in class each Monday when children get another brief opportunity to recommend a favourite book from their previous week's reading.

The spelling list for Y2 Common Exception Words can be found <u>here</u>. You will find the login for <u>LetterJoin</u> on the inside front cover of your child's reading diary. This is best used on a tablet or phone.

Children still have access to <u>Numbots</u> for regular practice of number facts at home. They now also have access to <u>TTRockstars</u> to help consolidate our work on times tables from the Spring Term. Login details can be found on the inside back cover of your child's reading diary. You may also like to take a look at the <u>White</u> <u>Rose 1 Minute Maths</u> app which is free to download.

Our golden thread this half term is... 'Embracing the Wider World'

We want our children to understand and appreciate diversity in the multi-cultural Britain in which we live, beyond West Tanfield, North Yorkshire and thinking more globally.

Some areas we will cover this half term...

- Maths: Division and Fractions (plus beginning to learn the 2, 5 and 10 times table)
- English: The Gardner by Sarah Stewart
- PSHE: Physical health and mental wellbeing
- Science: Living things and their habitats
- PE: Run, jump, throw!
- Art: Pablo Picasso
- Computing: Coding
- History: Houses and homes- The Great Fire of London
- RE: Special times
- Geography: Where does our food come from?
- DT: Designing and making a structure

Communication

Need to contact us...

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for any general enquiries or any out of school hours correspondence.

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helen.clegg@west-tanfield.n-yorks.sch.uk for any collection arrangements or class teacher questions (8am – 6pm only).

Don't forget to follow our Twitter page to get regular snapshots of life in Comet and Rocket Class!

An email is sent each week from the school office with reminders of things parents need to know for the week ahead. Any letters are always sent out by email; for ease, these are also uploaded to the letters section of the website for future reference.

There is a 'whole school news' section on the front page of the website, which has up to date articles added for parents. This can be accessed by scrolling down the page. The latest articles will always appear at the top.