

4S Newsletter

February 2014

Dear Parents/Carers,

The children have had a great start to the Spring term. We've seen increased efforts in responsibility, commitment and learning, which has led to some super progress. The class were a joy to take to the City of Leeds Museum, where staff commented on their brilliant behaviour!

This half-term, a huge focus will be on Religious Education, incorporating a whole school themed week from 3rd - 7th March. In Science, we will be continuing our learning about the body, including Sex and Relationships Education (SRE), before moving on to exploring forces. The class have really developed their ICT skills this year, and will continue to progress in presenting and data handling this half-term. Cas Tigers will continue on a Monday afternoon, and Forest Schools on Tuesday afternoons. Homework and poetry to share at home will continue on a weekly basis.

In the arts this half term, we will be experimenting with printing; learning simple musical notation; composing our own music and tuning our voices in to singing in parts. The Trust annual Speaking & Listening event takes place in March, so we'll be having our own in-school event to find our Y6 winner who will represent the school. As talking is something Y6 are particularly good at, we are expecting great speeches and anticipating a difficult decision!

Sets will continue; with children making progress in their maths and grammar skills. We have been very impressed with most children's commitment to improving and developing these skills, and it is really starting to pay off for some children.

A little reminder for parents and carers about the importance of reading every day: just a small amount a day (at bedtime for example) will greatly improve a child's chances at achieving their full potential.

Y6 teaching arrangements will remain the same this half-term: Mrs. Scorfield will be teaching Monday - Wednesday morning; Mrs. Douglas will be teaching on Wednesday afternoon (SATs preparation) and Mrs. Loring will be taking the class on a Thursday and Friday.

Diary dates:

3rd-7th March:	Whole school RE themed week
Monday 3rd March:	Y6 to York Minster
Tuesday 4th March 6pm :	Garforth Academy information evening for parents (at Micklefield)
Friday 14th March 2.15pm:	Themed week assembly for parents
Wednesday 19th March 3.30-5.30pm:	Parents' evening
Thursday 20th March 5.00-8.00pm:	Parents' evening
Thursday 27th March 9.00am:	Mothers' day service????
Wednesday 2nd April 9.00-10.30am:	Open morning for parents (Maths focus)
Wednesday 2nd April:	Musical Evening

Regards,

Mrs. Scorfield and Mrs. Loring