

Our topic this half term is Burps, Bottoms and Bile!



Maths

How can you help your child in maths?

Here are some great ideas.

- Tables continue to be a priority. How well do your children know their times tables? Year 3 children should know 2, 3, 4 and 5 times tables. Year 4 should know all times tables up to 12x12.
- Help your child to develop their quick mental skills, so what is 3+13, or 15+6? Remember subtraction too.
- Ask them about shapes in the environment. Can you find a square, circle, pentagon? Show me and tell me why it is a pentagon.
- Use standard methods of addition and subtraction.

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Special sessions!

PE coaching continues for all KS2 children on Wednesdays and 3/4S will begin their French for this year on Tuesdays. Also 3 / 4 J are having football with the Kidderminster Harriers on Tuesday afternoons.

As always please ensure PE kits are always in school to enable your child to benefit from these sporting opportunities.

Welcome back! We're delighted to welcome you all to the second half of the autumn term where we are already engaging the children in many learning activities related to our Science topic! The children are excited about the mystery visitor we are having this term. We will be visited by the local dentist who will talk about teeth and how to keep them healthy.

English

How can you help your child in English?

Here are some great ideas:-

- We have a reading challenge over a half term where children are expected to read 3 times a week at home. If they achieve this they have a movie afternoon reward at the end of the half term.
- Talk to your child about the book you are reading, are they enjoying it? Why? What can they tell you about the setting or the characters?
- Ask your child to select the noun, verb, adjective, adverb and conjunction in the sentence you have just read.
- Talk to your child about what type of book they are reading. For example, is it a fiction book or a non-fiction book? Ask them to describe the features that tell you how they know this. For example, contents pages and index for non-fiction and characters and chapters for fiction books.

Topic

This term we are covering the amazing topic of Burps, Bottoms and Bile and here are some of the things we will be doing.

- Learning how to look after our teeth.
- Creating art work and sculptures of the human digestive system.
- Learning about different types of teeth in humans and animals.
- Taking photographs and creating a movie slideshow.
- Visiting the middle school and making smoothies.



Unlocking the learning at home.... we are looking forward to receiving some fantastic examples of home learning. To support any children who find it more challenging to achieve this, Mrs Wainman is going to run a homework club on Mondays after school to start the children off with ideas they can achieve at home. We believe it is very important that every child has the opportunity to engage with learning at home.

To achieve the half term reading challenge expectation reward we expect all children to read at home at least three times a week. The successful reading challenge children will enjoy a film afternoon at the end of this half term as their reading reward.