



THE BISHOPSWOOD SCHOOLS FEDERATION

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Year 5 - Spring 2 2024

Dear Parents,

We hope you had an enjoyable half-term break. We are very much looking forward to the second part of the spring term. The following letter includes some reminders and an outline of the term ahead.

Uniform

Please make sure that all uniform, PE kit, school bags, coats, shoes and lunch boxes are clearly labelled to avoid a build-up of lost property. PE is on a Wednesday. Children should come into school in their PE kit on this day, with their school jumper. Earrings should be taken out for PE (or taped until they can be removed). If a child does not wear the correct PE kit to school, they may not be able to do PE.

Learning Challenge

Last term, children thrived while studying our topic of World War II and we have an amazing time both on our trip to Milestones Museum and on our WWII day in school. This term, the learning challenge topic is 'May the Force be With You', where we will investigate a variety of forces, including gravity, friction, air resistance and water resistance. We will be carrying out several practical investigations, which we hope the children will find both informative and enjoyable. In Design Technology, we will be using our knowledge of hydraulics and pneumatics to create a monster that moves, whilst in Music the children will be composing a piece of music that represents their monster and the way it can move.

Homework

We encourage the children to complete the following homework every week:

- read 3 times a week (written and signed in homework diary by Friday)
- practise their weekly spelling words (tested and handed out on Mondays)
- 15 minutes of Timestable Rockstars
- one piece from the homework grid (to be handed in on a Friday).
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P.E.

This half term, we have a coach coming in to teach the children how to play cricket. They will learn the skills needed to play cricket successfully including throwing, catching, running, batting, teamwork and resilience through a combination of drills and games.

As always, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher.

Yours faithfully,

Miss Feather and Miss Nicholls

Caring



Respecting





Thriving Together



Bishopswood Federation work together to develop kind and considerate children who are resilient, reflective and motivated learners, ready for the challenges that the future holds.

At Bishopswood, we offer a rich and diverse curriculum that engages all children. Enriched activities that motivate children, enhancing their life opportunities is something that is very important to us.

Year 5	May The Force Be With You
Subject	Areas Covered
Learning Enrichment	World Book Day 7 th March 2024
Reading:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Prosody - Summarising texts - Language for effect - Inference and justify 
Writing:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Blackout Poetry: based on texts read in WWII topic - The Piano: narrative retell - The Chronicles of Narnia: newspaper report 
Mathematics	<p>Statistics</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Solve comparison sum and difference problems using line graphs <p>Fractions/ Percentages/ Decimals</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Multiplying fractions - Rounded decimal numbers - Writing decimal numbers as fractions and percentages - Solve problems that involve converting decimals/ fractions/ percentages <p>Measure</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Understand and use equivalences between metric units and common imperial units such as inches, pounds, and pints. - Estimate volume and capacity - Identify 3-D shapes, including cubes and other cuboids, from 2-D representations - Construct 3-D models of cubes and cuboids from nets and estimate their volume, - Multiply three numbers together - Solve problems involving capacity, including reading a range of scales
Science	<p>Forces</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Explore, experiment, communicate, team skills. - Identify the different forces that come into action and explore properties. - Look at the work of famous scientists such as Newton and Galileo. - Understand the effects of gravity, air resistance, water resistance, friction. - Recognise that some mechanisms have a smaller force to have a greater effect.
Design and Technology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Explore how hydraulics and pneumatics work. - Design, create and evaluate a monster that uses hydraulic/pneumatic pressure to move.
Computing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Use Scratch to create a number machine.
Music	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Demonstrate accurate instrumental skills and use them to perform with musical awareness using a palindromic scale pattern
Physical Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cricket
RE/HeartSmart	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - HeartSmart: Don't Hold On To What's Wrong - RE: Sacrifice
Spanish	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Home: engage in conversations, ask and answer questions and express opinions.