

# Welcome back!



I hope you have all had a wonderful summer holiday and are ready for a great new year ahead. It promises to be an exciting one with lots of learning about rivers and the water cycle. We seem to be returning to some sort of normality now and it will be great to get involved in more regular school events, assemblies and joint playtimes.

Should you wish to contact me at any time feel free to message me on Class Dojo or catch me at the end of the day. I am always keen to share good experiences or help out when needed.



## English

Our English work this term will begin with us studying the book 'Wind in the Willows.' We shall be using this as a basis to write narrative and news reports and will explore figurative language over the next few weeks.

Later this term we will also be writing detailed setting descriptions, using metaphors, personification and embedded clauses

We shall be continuing to use accelerated reader and encourage children to read every day. They will receive dojo points every time they read.

## Science

We will be exploring states of matter this term, learning about solids, liquids and gasses. Children will have the chance to plan and carry out a variety of their own exciting investigations

## Maths

Our maths work this term will begin by exploring the number system, recognising place value in four digit numbers. We will then move on to use the four main operations to solve a variety of number and word problems.

Times tables are really important for maths in KS2 so please try and learn as many as possible. We will work on our times tables every day using Sumdog. As last year we will be continuing to use Sumdog online which you can access both in and out of school. We encourage you to do this as often as possible.

## Topic

This terms topic work is about rivers and the water cycle. We will begin by looking at the features of rivers then look at some famous rivers, the water cycle and the process of erosion in rivers.

Our topic work will intertwine with our art work where children will be exploring bridges and will work towards building their own moving bridge.

- **PE-** This will take place every Monday and Wednesday afternoons.
- **Reading-** Please read as often as possible. You can earn dojo points!
- **Homework-** Will be set on Fridays and is due in the following Wednesday.
- **Sumdog-** Please use this resource as much as possible. Ask for your login details if you are not sure.

**Enjoy the term!**

**Mr Gilbert, Miss Haines and Miss Stancer**