

Hello,  
 Welcome back. I can't believe we are into the second half-term already. Hopefully the lighter nights won't be too far away.  
 This half-term we will be celebrating World Book Day which is always a fun day so there will be further information coming out about that.  
 As always, if there is anything that is concerning you or that you feel we would benefit from knowing please do get in touch.  
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 We look forward to working with you again.  
 Mrs Wagstaff, Miss L, Mrs Nicklin and Mr Clayton.

**PSHE**

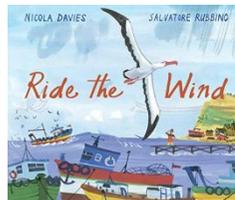
This half-term the children will be focusing on inclusion. The unit of work is entitled 'A World Without Judgment' and will focus on areas such as equality, diversity and cohesion. Children will start off thinking about how confident they feel about different things and whether their level of confidence is affected by how they think they are perceived by others. There will be the opportunity to reflect on how this made them feel and also if they have said or done something in the past that another person may have felt was judgemental. We will consider how feeling judged can affect people and how this understanding can affect their actions in the future.

**PE**

As last half-term, the children will alternate between sport and Forest School on Thursday afternoons starting with sport on Forest School on Thursday, 26<sup>th</sup> February.  
 Hopefully, now that we are moving towards Easter the weather will start to pick up and will be drier underfoot but.... we all know this can't be relied on.  
 It may still be cold and potentially damp so please do ensure they have the appropriate change of clothes with them on these days - **trackies, waterproof coat, wellies for Forest Schools.**

**English**

The children will be looking at the lovely book "Ride the Wind" by Nicola Davies as their inspiration text this half term. They will spend three weeks looking at this book which will involve them studying the style of the writing and also the sentence structures. They will then write their own story based on the book. Following this they will also write a non-chronological report about their own made up endangered animals.



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**Maths**

After looking at factors and multiples topics before the half term, they will continue their work around multiplication and division. They will then look at prime numbers, square and cube numbers as well as working on mental methods of multiplication and division before moving onto written methods. They will then use these skills to help tackle questions that require the use of these operations and also multi-step problems that use all four operations.  
 They will continue to access Trivela for half an hour each day as they started to do last half term.

**SATs**

As you know, we are not a school that puts pressure on children when it comes to testing. We recognise that there are many other ways in which your child will show their talents. However, they are coming up, starting 11<sup>th</sup> May, so here are some ways you can help your child:

- ✓ Encourage them to talk to a trusted adult at home or school if they are feeling anxious
- ✓ If they are doing any practise at home, please help them find a quiet, distraction free space
- ✓ Plan some activities to be doing around SATs time to give them other things to focus on
- ✓ Encourage them to get plenty of sleep

**Science**

In Science, the children will be revisiting some previous learning to check they have remembered the different types of light source, how shadows are formed and how the sizes can be changed.  
 We will move onto looking in more detail at how light rays travel. They will be learning what is needed for us to see and a little about how the eye works. They will then move on to plan and conduct an investigation about surfaces and reflection and how an object's surface can affect if and how it reflects.



**Reminders/ Key Dates**

The PowerPoint from the SATs meeting can be found on the class page of the school website.  
 Thursday, 5<sup>th</sup> March - World Book Day Games lessons / Forest Schools - alternate Thursday afternoon. Starts with Forest School, 26<sup>th</sup> February  
 St Mark's Church - every Friday morning, 9-9:25am - please come and join us  
 Break up - 27<sup>th</sup> March  
 Start back - Monday, 13<sup>th</sup> April

