



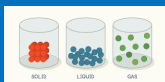
Welcome Back

Happy New Year! We hope you have had a relaxing break and are ready for an exciting term. This term we will be attending Young Voices, where we will be part of the 'largest children's choir in the world!' We also have the multiplication checker coming up in June and we were so impressed by the children's perseverance and determination to learn their times table throughout the Autumn term. Their progress was incredible, let's keep this going with plenty of practice at home and in school.



ENGLISH

In English, we will be reading a Roman mysteries book called *The Thieves of Ostia* by Caroline Lawrence. We will be writing our own mystery stories using a range of subordinating conjunctions, fronted adverbials, and a range of descriptive devices to build suspense and showcase our author's voice.



SCIENCE

We are going to be exploring states of matter this term in science. We will be exploring solids, liquids, and gases and how heating and cooling materials can allow them to change state. We will be conducting experiments to understand the processes of evaporation and condensation ready for our Water Cycle topic next term.



Art

This half term we will be exploring art with an environmental theme, looking to English artist Oenone Hammersley for inspiration. We will be using the mediums of pencil and pastels to practice our observational drawing skills and learning the skill of underpainting.



TRIPS/ DATES

Tuesday 16th Jan - Young Voices at the O2.

Children will need to be collected from the O2 at 9pm. They will need a lunch, snacks and drinks.

Thursday 25th Jan- MTC Parent workshop.

Stay and Read sessions from 8:45 to 9:15 (parents to come through the front office)

- Kew - Tue 23rd Jan
- Lambeth - Wed 24th Jan

MATHS



This term we will be deepening our understanding of Multiplication and Division, looking at multiplying and dividing larger numbers and using formal written methods. We will also be learning about measures of time and working out the duration of events on a timetable. Throughout this term, we will be continuing to learn all our times tables ahead of the Multiplication Check in June.

HISTORY AND GEOGRAPHY



This term, we will be looking at the governance of Britain after the Anglo Saxons arrived. Later in the term we will be exploring the burial site at Sutton Hoo, using artefacts that were found to form opinions about which Anglo Saxon may have been buried there.

In geography, we will be exploring geographical location and how it relates to climate and time zones. We will look at mapping skills including grid referencing and build on our knowledge of lines of longitude and latitude from last term.

CLASS NOTICES



Please ensure PE kits are brought in at the start of the week and left in school until Friday.

Home learning will be sent home every Friday alongside reading records to be completed. There will be daily reading and times tables practise, and the spellings will be updated each week on google classroom.

Please remember to send your child to school with a labelled water bottle each day.

Please ensure your child has a coat in school. Please label all items belonging to your child.