



Unit 3 Newsletter Summer 1 2022

PE—Cricket and Athletics.

Sparrows: Tuesday PM

Starlings: Wednesday PM

Swifts: Wednesday PM

Please ensure your child is wearing their full PE kit into school on the correct day:

Home Learning and Supporting the Curriculum at home

We have attached a selection of Knowledge Organisers, for you to use to support your child's learning at home. These set out clearly what we expect children to learn and remember in that subject. Please use these at home as conversation starters to reinforce and help embed your child's learning.

Please encourage your child to log into TT Rockstars on the Sound Check as often as possible. This will help alongside the dedicated sessions we do in school to boost their fluency at times table recall. Children should be fluent in tables up to 12x12 by the end of Year 4. The Sound Check will be similar to the Year 4 Multiplication Check that all children in Year 4 will undertake in June.

You have also received log ins for Sumdog and Spelling and Maths Shed . We are now using a new spelling scheme of work that is built on progression of sounds and builds on children's prior knowledge. Please continue to use Spelling Shed for practice.

Reading.

In school, children are encouraged to read daily. They take quizzes on Accelerated Reader about the books they have read and earn points for this. At the end of the half-term, we will be giving certificates to every child who reaches their own individual target for points earned. To support passion and progression, we expect children to read daily at home for at least 15 minutes. Please support and encourage your child in this by listening to them read aloud often and talking about what they have read to help develop comprehension skills and develop an inquisitive nature about books.

School Value

This half term, in our Class Assemblies and PSHE lessons, we are learning about the value of Determination and what it looks like in the classroom and in our personal lives.



British Value

We will be learning about individual liberty and linking this to the skill of determination and is a key skill for life in Britain.



Our Curriculum

Long Enquiries

A long enquiry typically lasts five weeks and allows us to teach a subject, such as history, in depth. Clear expectations of what will be learned, is shared with parents and pupils through a Knowledge Organiser. At the end of the work, we plan to use Enquiry Quizzes on our iPads to see how much each child has remembered.

Short Enquiries

A short enquiry can last anything from 1 – 3 days and adds breadth to our curriculum.

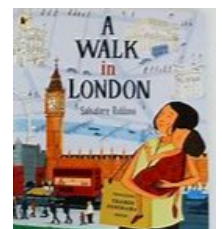
In our Learning Enquiry this half term we are learning about how the Roman Empire was built. The Knowledge Organiser for this is attached. Please use it to reinforce and repeat the learning at home. The children will be learning about the foundations of Rome, and how the Roman Empire became so large over hundreds of years. The children will be learning the key skills of chronology and historical enquiry.

Maths

We are learning about fractions in Maths. Children will have an understanding of the meaning of numerator, denominator and fraction bar. They will begin this sequence by understanding what a fraction is using shapes, before moving on to finding fractions of a quantity and then working with mixed number fractions. Fractions link to multiplication tables, so children will continue practicing these up to 12x12. Please support your children to continue practicing times tables fluency at home.

Literacy

Children will write a poem about an animal of their choosing inspired by Matt Goodfellow. Children will also write a story of a journey complete with speech between two or more characters in the style of 'A walk in London' by Salvatore Rubbino.



Dates to remember

Wednesday 4th-Friday 6th May, Year 4 residential

Messages

Please continue to contact the school office by email admin@preston.torbay.sch.uk or phone 01803 607075 with any questions or queries. There is also lots of useful information, as well as event dates and term dates, on our school website <https://www.preston.torbay.sch.uk/>

School App

Our school app is the best way to get information about dates and events going on in the school. Search for 'School News' in your app store.