



Welcome back! We are really pleased with how well the children in Lower Key Stage Two have settled back into life at the academy. It's great to be together again to learn and see our friends and class mates! We have another really busy term ahead and we cannot wait to see what the Summer Terms will offer. We are hoping that the weather is sunny and warm and we can get outside more. Don't forget to tell us about your successes out of school too as we get back to doing more of the things that we love to do.

English lessons will continue to explore different types of texts which will influence us when we are doing our own writing. We are using Weslandia to develop the skills of journalistic and persuasive writing. We will be using an exciting short film called The Lighthouse to explore a narrative. We will be again focusing on spelling, punctuation and grammar to help with our writing.

Maths will be developing the fluency of both mental and written calculation skills. We will be practising our skills with fractions and decimals. Everyone will continue to learn their multiplication tables and be able to recall these quickly in preparation for the Multiplication Tables Check in June.

Geography: We are discovering our earth and it's physical features; learning about earthquakes and volcanoes.

History: We are learning about the Anglo Saxons and their way of life, discovering what they wore, ate and how they travelled.

Science: We are learning about The digestive system, discovering how our bodies use food and Scientific inquiries.

PE: Each class will take it in turns to go swimming this term. Rhinos in Term 5 and Panthers in Term 6. Additionally, we will be learning how to play Cricket and Rounders', using our catching and throwing skills but also how to use tactics whilst working as a team.

Art: We're discovering new techniques to manipulate clay and will be creating our own sculpture.

Computing: This concept involves developing an understanding of instructions, logic and sequences

RSE

We will be looking at how our bodies grow and change and will be learning about the physical and emotional changes during puberty.

P.E - please wear Academy PE kit for the day and have earrings removed or covered with plasters.

Year 4 have PE on: **TUESDAY ONLY**

SWIMMING:

Panthers term 5

Rhinos Term 6

Please meet at the Meres for 9.am.

YEAR 4 Multiplication tables check

The purpose of the MTC is to determine whether Y4 pupils can recall their multiplication tables fluently (being able to answer times tables questions accurately and quickly, without having to work out the answers).

Please encourage your child to practice daily so they feel confident when taking the test in June.

Please make sure that your child is well prepared. As the weather is getting warmer, sun cream (applied at home before school please) and a sun hat are needed. A water bottle should be in school everyday, along with their book bag and reading book. Please can you name each of these items and items so that if they are misplaced they can be safely returned.

If you would like to know more about the curriculum this term, please head to our website, which will offer more depth and detail.