

Class Newsletter

Elm Class

Welcome back

Welcome back to Elm class! We hope you all had a wonderful Christmas holiday and enjoyed spending time with family and friends. Thank you so much for the lovely cards and thoughtful gifts we received—they were very much appreciated and brought big smiles to our faces. We're really looking forward to an exciting term of learning together.

PE Days

P.E. days for Term Three
Tuesday- Fundamentals
Friday- Yoga.

Please make sure that your child has a suitable P.E kit for these days. Tuesday's lessons may be outside and so your child may need warm sports clothing. As always, a drink of water will be necessary.

Reminders

Please make sure that your child brings bottle of water to school every day and also, suitable clothing for inclement weather.

Year 2 will continue to practise their Common Exception Words in school and can be practised at home with the sheet sent home. Year 3 will continue to be sent home each spelling rule and words on a **Tuesday** ready to be tested the following Monday. Times Tables tests will be on a **Friday**.

Looking ahead

Please mark your calendars for these upcoming events:

Dodgeball competition: Year 3 and 4 at Horncastle Thursday
22nd January

National Storytelling Week
commencing Monday 2nd
February.

Safer Internet Day: Tuesday
10th February

English

We will be studying Michael Morpurgo's *The Pied Piper of Hamelin* which retells the classic legend of a mysterious piper who rids the town of rats but takes revenge when the townspeople break their promise. Through lyrical storytelling, the tale explores themes of trust, greed, and the consequences of failing to keep one's word.

Maths

This term, pupils investigate ways to calculate the area of shapes, developing multiplication skills and understanding of length and perimeter, including factor pairs, efficient and scaled multiplication (up to 3-digit by 1-digit), measurement in kilometres, metres, centimetres and millimetres, equivalent lengths, and calculating the perimeter of rectilinear shapes.

PE

GetSet4PE Fundamentals and Yoga will develop pupils' coordination, balance, strength, and flexibility through engaging movement skills and simple yoga poses that build confidence, body awareness, and healthy habits.

Music

This term the children will explore how to adapt and transpose musical motifs by developing Roman-themed melodies using different pitches, instruments, and structures.

DT

Structures: building a castle
Pupils will learn to design, build, and evaluate a castle by identifying its features, recognising 3D shapes, and assembling a complex structure from simple geometric nets.

Spanish

I know How(I Can)
Pupils will learn to recognise and spell Spanish action verbs and use them to create positive and negative sentences, combining ideas with *and* and *but* to form longer sentences.

RE

We will explore the Christian belief that God is Trinity: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. We will learn that Christians believe God creates, saves and empowers, and that understanding God is a lifelong journey.

Science

Materials: Rocks and Soil
Pupils will explore rocks, fossils, and soils, learning how they are formed, classified, and used, while developing scientific skills such as observing, researching, modelling, and presenting data.

Geography

The *Why Is Our World Wonderful?* unit introduces pupils to the natural beauty and diversity of the Earth. Children explore famous natural features, learn where they are in the world, and begin to understand why these places are special and should be cared for.

Computing

The Creating Media unit introduces pupils to producing and manipulating digital content. Children learn how digital media can be created, edited, and used to communicate ideas.

PSHE

The *Safety and the Changing Body* unit helps pupils understand how to keep themselves safe, healthy, and informed as they grow. It covers personal safety, basic first aid awareness, online safety, and age-appropriate learning about how bodies change.