

Kingsmead Primary School

Information for Parents / Carers

Date: November 2023

Class: Avon

Teachers: Shenaz

English

We will continue to read the book 'Wonder' as well as starting a new chapter book, 'Stormbreaker' by Anthony Horowitz. We will be basing all our English work on these texts. We will be writing character descriptions, letters and short stories along with some science cross curricular. We will practice reading with intonation and fluency and improving our understanding of what we read.

How to help your child at home. Support them with their spellings and English homework. Please spare time to hear your child read, around 30 minutes a day, or allow them to tell you about a book they have read.

Maths

We are learning to use our knowledge of multiplication and place value to calculate two- and three-step word problems. We are also learning to work out equivalent fractions, percentages and decimals, as well as comparing and simplifying fractions.

How to help your child at home. Practice their times tables with them so they know them off by heart. Please also encourage your child to log on to Mathletics.

Blocked subjects (Topic, RE, Science)

<u>History</u>: We will be studying the Americas. We will learn to answer the questions: Where are the Americas? How do you read maps? What are the Americas like? What human and physical features are there in my local area?

D and T: We will be learning about 'Mechanisms'

<u>Science</u>: We will be looking at 'Evolution and inheritance', where we will learn about theories, DNA and more.

A message from your child's teacher

Please remember to discuss your children's reading habits and preferences, this will really help with extending your child's ability in reading and help with all areas of their learning.

Our PE days are <u>Friday</u> and we have Drumming and Dance on Tuesday, your child needs a *change* of kit for PE including dark shorts/jogging bottoms, white t-shirt and an extra layer in the winter months. Spellings are given out on a <u>Friday</u> and children will be tested on the following <u>Friday</u>. Please ensure that your child has also completed their Mathletics homework each and every week. School flexi start times are between 8.50 - 9:00

All children need to be in class ready for their first reading session at 9:00 Please inform the school if your child is sick