



QUEENSMEAD PRIMARY ACADEMY

YEAR 2 TERMLY NEWSLETTER: SPRING TERM 2019

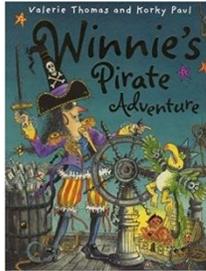
IMAGINE!

It is great to see that all the children have settled back into their class after the Christmas break. We hope that your child is looking forward to an exciting half term completing a theme called 'Imagine...' We would like to share with you some information about what your child will be learning over the Spring Term, as well as offering you opportunities to support your child's understanding of subjects studied. This newsletter will also help you to plan ahead by giving you key dates before they are printed in the Purple Post, such as class assemblies and trips.

HIGH EXPECTATIONS	<p>We expect a high standard of behaviour from all children which is monitored by all staff in the academy. The Behaviour Policy (which can be found on our website) explains the academy rules, rewards and sanctions in detail.</p> <p>Every week we have a celebration assembly where achievements are shared and certificates are awarded (including Star of the Week and House Points certificates).</p> <p>Unacceptable behaviour, both in and out of the classroom, will be dealt with firmly but fairly according to the academy's Behaviour Policy. You will be informed of any major incidences, or if your child's behaviour results in two or more detentions within a period of two weeks.</p>	UNIFORM	<p>Uniform is the same for Years 1-3. All pupils must wear correct uniform, including acceptable footwear. A letter will be sent home with pupils who have missing or incorrect uniform. A reminder of the uniform policy was included on the back of last week's Purple Post.</p> <p>Please refer to the Uniform Policy on our website for further information, including PE kit. If you require academy uniform, all items can be purchased from the academy office.</p>	START OF DAY ACTIVITY	<p>This term we are having a focus on handwriting during SODA time (between 8:45 and 8:55am).</p> <div style="display: flex; align-items: center;">  <p>Therefore, during this time your child will have the opportunity to practise and improve their handwriting.</p> </div>
				ARRIVE ON TIME	<p>For the first 15 minutes of every day (after registration) the focus will be handwriting exercises and skills. If your child arrives late they will miss this vital part of the school day. Therefore, it is important that your child arrives on time (by 8:55am) every day.</p> <div style="text-align: right;">  </div>

English

This term we will share lots of stories about Pirates and one of our favourites is 'Winnie the Witch and the Pirates'. They will be writing revolting recipes and instructions to make a Pirate sandwich.



Mathematics

We will be focusing on multiplication and division this term in Mathematics. We would be grateful if you could **practise the 3 times tables with your child.**

Theme

In the first part of the Spring Term our theme is 'Imagine...'. During this theme we will be completing lots of lovely art work and DT. We will begin by basing our art work on the work of Claude Monet. We will then be designing a treasure map and a key to find the treasure! We will be designing and making our own golden doubloons.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Our PE days this term are Wednesdays and Fridays. PE is part of our academy curriculum and **we expect all children to bring a full PE kit to school** so that they can take part in their indoor and outdoor PE sessions. PE kit can be left on your child's peg in their classroom.

All jewellery must be removed. Earrings need to be removed on the day of PE or the child must be able to remove these themselves before the lesson. Teachers and Teaching Assistants are not allowed to help children remove their earrings. If your child has recently had their ears pierced they will have to bring micropore tape to cover their earrings until they can take them out.

READING

We expect children to be **reading for at least 10 minutes daily.** It would be really beneficial if you could listen to your child read and discuss their book regularly to support their understanding.

HOMEWORK

Thank you so much to all those parents who helped their child create a magnificent miniature gardens as part of their homework last term. They went on show in our library and everyone thought they were brilliant!

Queensmead Quests will continue to be given out once per half term with your child's homework book. The aim is to provide a range of challenges for your child to choose from. We would be grateful if you can support and encourage them. If your child experiences any difficulties with the homework, we encourage them to come and see their class teacher for more support.

TRIPS

On Tuesday 22nd January the children are visiting Beaumanor Hall to complete a Pirate day. Please remember your child can dress up as a pirate on this day. We can't wait!



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

30th January - Roger Hargreaves class assembly

13th February - Colin Thompson Class assembly

15th February - Break up for half term

6th March - Valerie Thomas class assembly

20th March- Oliver Jeffers class assembly

3rd April- Eric Carle class assembly

12th April- Break up for Easter holidays.