

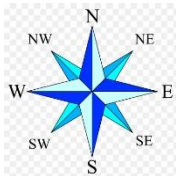


## Lanercost C of E Primary School

### Year 3 and 4 Newsletter – Autumn 2024

Welcome back to a new school year at Lanercost. We're very excited for a busy term ahead with lots of exciting things to experience and learn.

#### Geography



In Geography in the first half term we will be focusing on Map and Fieldwork Skills. We will be looking at important physical and human features and using compasses and OS maps too. Class 3 will be visiting Brampton to focus our understanding of location and the elements that we have been learning about.

#### History

In History, in the second half term, we will be learning about the Changes in Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age. We will be finding out about what life was like then, what prehistory is and different advances that were made. We are hoping to visit Long Meg and Her Daughters – further information to follow.



#### English

This term we will be writing first person narratives and animal stories. We will be looking at non-fiction reports and poetry too. Through the CUSP writing, we will also be looking at punctuation and grammar and there will be opportunities to develop oracy skills.

#### Reading

We ask that you continue to hear your child read at home for 10 minutes at least 4 times a week. Please sign your child's reading record book when you have read at home. Remember you don't have to read a whole book with your child each night, a few pages would be sufficient and feel free to read books from home as well as school reading books! It is important that your child has their reading record book in school every day. We will be encouraging children to change their books as they need to. Reading records will be checked on a Monday.



#### Core Books

This year, we are encouraging children to read our Core Books and we have a new selection of books for the children to either read themselves or share with you at home. The children will receive stickers when they have read each book, which will allow them to see how many of the books they have read.

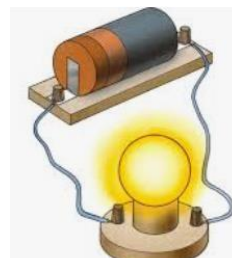


### Maths

During this term, we will be looking at place value, addition, multiplication and division and working on using and applying number knowledge in problem solving situations. Times tables will be a focus too, it is very important that children have a good recall of their times tables facts as it will be beneficial for lots of the work that we will do this year.

### Science

In the first half term, we are looking at electricity. We will look at the different components in simple circuits and understand what will happen when we change different elements. This topic links nicely to our DT topic of making torches. In the second half term we will be learning about the basics of scientific experimentation. We will be planning and conducting experiments to explore this topic in a fun and practical way.



### Religion and World Views



In the first half term, Year 3 and 4 will be thinking about 'What is Prayer?' looking at how Christians and other religions use prayer. In the second half term, our topic is 'Christmas. Christmas. Why is Jesus described as the light of the world?' Where we will be thinking about how light an important symbol in world faiths. In Collective Worship this term we are focusing on the two values of: Friendship and Generosity. We are also looking forward to our RE Week, where we will be thinking about Christianity around

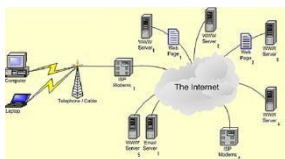
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### PE

In the first half term, PE is Lacrosse on a Tuesday and football will be on Friday afternoon with Carlisle United. We have also got Woodland Schools on a Tuesday afternoon. In the second half term, we will be going for a week of swimming and netball will be on a Tuesday afternoon.



### Computing



This term in computing, we will be looking at the staying safe on the internet, how computers are connected and audio production.

### Homework

This term, homework will be set on a Wednesday and is due in the next Tuesday.

A class timetable is attached for your information. If you have any concerns or questions regarding your child, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Turnbull