



Four walls that hold tomorrow...

WHOLE SCHOOL CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

Autumn Term 2021

Please note – with apologies - amendments to PE days which are a Wednesday and Friday for Centaurus

Dear Magical Parents,

Welcome back to the first term of the 2021/2022 academic year. We hope that you had an enjoyable summer holiday and were able to do some lovely things together. We would like to wish our new starters a very warm welcome to the Meare family too!

This term, our whole school learning quest has a personal, social and emotional health (PSHE) focus and is entitled 'How did we get here?'. Pyxis and Pegasus children will be finding out more about themselves and others in their topic 'This is us', whilst Draconis voyage back in time to discover what life was like from the Stone Age to the Iron Age. Centaurus will be focussing their attention on Britain since the 1930's, particularly the impact World War II had on the population.

As always, if you have any books or resources which you feel will support your child's learning and are happy for them to bring these into school to share, it would be very much appreciated. Please ensure that any items are clearly marked with your child's name. Equally, if you feel you have any knowledge or skills that would link to our current learning quest, and you feel you would like to share them, please do get in touch with your child's class teacher.

On the reverse of this letter, you will find a more detailed outline of the other exciting curriculum subjects your child will be learning about this term.

To support your child with their learning at home, we would strongly advise you to listen to them read, and likewise, read to them on a regular basis; continue to use the online learning support tools e.g. Numbots and TT Rockstars and to engage with Class Dojo and Google Classrooms so that you are aware of what your child has been learning in school. In addition, it would benefit your child if you could help them with learning to tell the time as well as to identify and use money.

Please note that Class Dojo is solely used for praise and celebration. Should you have any concerns or queries regarding your child's wellbeing, please could these be shared directly with your child's class teacher who will be more than willing to help.

Weekly Schedule

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| <u>Monday</u> | Muddy Mondays* Centaurus: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 13th September• 11th November• 15th November• 13th December P.E** Incorrect! |
| <u>Tuesday</u> | |
| <u>Wednesday</u> | PE is on Wednesdays! |
| <u>Thursday</u> | Homework handed in on Google Classroom |
| <u>Friday</u> | P.E** Homework out Spelling & times tables tests |

* Please ensure your child has warm, comfortable clothes, a coat and sensible footwear/wellingtons for our Muddy Monday sessions. Please can all children bring in a second pair of footwear to change into on wet and muddy days.

**Draconis and Centaurus children to wear their P.E kit to school on their P.E days. As we will be accessing the outdoors as much as possible, your child would benefit from wearing a warm sweat shirt and jogging bottoms when the weather is cold.

Homework is designed to support and reinforce your child's learning within the classroom and will include spellings for your child to learn and will be set using Goole Classrooms. In KS2, children will have times tables to practise and spellings to learn. On occasion, homework may be in the form of a supporting activity and may not always require marking. However, there may be times when your child will require your support to complete the task. If you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher via the school office.

Key Dates for your Diary:

Wednesday 15 September: WOW Wednesday

Thursday 30 September: Elite athlete Kirsty Way visiting school

Monday 25 October - Friday 29 October: Half Term

Further diary dates to follow.

We understand that plans change throughout the day, but please could we ask that you notify the school if you are unable to pick your child up at the end of the school day and have arranged for an alternative trusted adult to do so. **Due to safeguarding reasons, we are not able to send a child home with another adult until we have been notified by the child's parent about who will be taking them.** We thank you for your understanding in this matter.

We hope that the information you find here is useful, and if you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher via the school office.

We have no doubt that this will be a fun and enjoyable Autumn Term at Magical Meare!

With Best Wishes

The Meare Team