



Term 3
January 2017

Lowry Newsletter

Welcome to 2017

Dates for the diary:

Term dates –

Tues 3rd Jan – Thurs 9th
Feb

Fri 10th Feb – INSET day

Mon 20th Feb – Fri 31st
Mar

Parents evening -

Mon 6th Feb 3.30-6.00

Wed 8th Feb 5.00-7.30

Safer Internet Day –

Tues 7th Feb

Music celebration –

Tues 28th March 2pm at
St. Mary's Church

Things to remember... (Weekly timetable)

Monday pm – PE with
Miss Copping

Wednesday am –
homework due in

Wednesday pm – PE
with Mr Sapp.

Friday pm – Homework
will be handed out.

Dear Parents / Carers

We hope you had a restful holiday. We have lots of exciting things coming up this term.

Topic – Wild Weather

In term 3 we will be concentrating on Geography and research the different weathers around the world and gain an understanding for the difference. Alongside this we are going to create a weather mobile in Art. In term 4 we are studying a variety of weather disasters throughout history; 1987 UK hurricane, 2004 Tsunami, 2015 Nepal Earthquake and many more. During this term we will learn how to make a wind tunnel and a kite in DT.

Literacy

We will be continuing with the Power of Reading books. In term 3 we will be focusing on the fictional text, *Traction Man is Here* by Mini Gray and in term 4 we will be looking at a range of Poetry. In preparation for the Phonics test, we will be concentrating on children's phonological awareness. At school, we often play a free online game – Phonics play. The children really enjoy these games and could benefit from playing at home.

Numeracy

The class will be developing the wide range of numeracy skills they have already learnt from term 1 and term 2. We are now progressing with our understanding of place value and working up to 50. We will achieve this by using an array of resources and practical activities to progress with counting, partitioning and calculating.

Science

Throughout term 3 and 4, our class will be learning about animals and humans. We will learn about a variety of common animals that are birds, fish, amphibians, reptiles and mammals. We will find out which animals are carnivores, herbivores and omnivores. Children will also learn to name, draw and label the human body and identify each sense.

PE

Just a reminder of kit; children must wear, white t-shirt, blue shorts/bottoms and plimsolls/trainers. Long hair needs to be tied back and earrings must be taken out. If children need to be excused of PE for medical reasons, could your child please bring in a note of absence.

RE

Our class will be studying the Creation story in term 3. Each week will be dedicated to a different stage in the creation story. In term 4 we will be reading and learning stories which involve Noah, Abraham, Moses, David and Esther. Towards the end of the term we will be focusing on Easter and new life.

Home Learning

To promote a love for reading, we ask children to read to an adult every night. This should be an enjoyable experience, where the children can practise and develop their reading. Children are encouraged to become independent readers and take responsibility for changing their book. However, this will be monitored and their books will be changed at least once a week. Can we kindly ask adults to leave a comment or initial the contact book if your child has read to you. Thank you.

One piece of numeracy and literacy based homework will be given out on Friday and is due back in by the following Wednesday. I must stress that homework is not intended to cause upset or difficulty.

Kind regards,
Miss Copping