

## Welcome to Class Ten and the Autumn term!



Welcome back to school after a lovely long holiday.

We hope you are as excited as we are about coming into Class Ten! We have lots of fun and exciting topics this year, beginning with '**Survival!**' and then '**Food, Glorious, Food!**' after half term.

### Overview of subjects this term:

	<b>Survival Autumn 1</b>	<b>Food, Glorious, Food! Autumn 2</b>
<b>English</b>	Kensuke's Kingdom- Michael Murpurgo Biographies including Bear Grylls, Steve Backshall and others	Stories with historical settings- Oliver Twist! Classic narrative poetry- Winter themed poetry
<b>Maths</b>	Number and Place value Mass/Weight 2-D and 3-D shape Counting and Money Multiplication Division	Mental times and divide Division including problems Fractions Multiplication and measures Statistics (time)
<b>Science</b>	Evolution Fossils Adaptation Habitats	Reversible and irreversible changes States of matter
<b>Computing</b>	Online safety	Safe internet searching Building websites
<b>RE</b>	Life as a journey and pilgrimage	How do Christians prepare for Christmas
<b>Topic</b>	<b>Art and Design</b> Camouflage sketching and painting <b>Geography</b> Around the world- Continent Researching How people around the world have adapted to their environment	<b>Design and Technology</b> Variety of cooking techniques Food from other cultures <b>Geography</b> World Food- where does it come from?
<b>PE</b>	Gymnastics Netball	Basketball Dance
<b>Music</b>	Cyclical patterns and African drumming	Song writers- exploring lyrics and melody
<b>PSHE</b>	Relationships	Living in the wider world

Throughout the week, we are very lucky to be supported in Class Ten by **Mrs Brough** and **Mrs North**.

**Mrs Sissons** will teach your children **French, Music and Topic** on a **Thursday afternoon**, as well as **Maths, Spelling, SPaG and Art** on a **Friday**.

Please can children bring in the following items every day:

- **Reading book and record**
- **Spelling book**
- **Water bottles**
- **Warm, waterproof coats**

Our Survival topic has been launched with an exciting trip to the woods in Bolton-le-Sands. The children enjoyed den building, animal trapping (no animals were hurt during this!), safe fire lighting and identification of trees.

**P.E** will be on **Monday** and **Tuesday afternoon**. Please can all children have their full P.E kit (including labelled t-shirt, shorts and pumps) in school all term. This kit will be sent home at half-term to be freshened up! As the weather grows colder children can bring in a sweatshirt or jumper to wear when outside?

Each week children will have **homework** set for Maths and English (this could be topic related too) that will reinforce work that the children have already been taught. Homework will be given out on either a **Thursday or Friday** to be returned the following **Tuesday**. It is very important homework is completed for further practice and returned back to school in their homework folders. In Year 5 and 6 it is expected that each piece of homework is completed to a high standard with children trying to work as independently as possible (with support when required).

Children in Class 10 are expected to read their school reading book a minimum of **4 times a week**. Please can they write the date and the page they have read up to? This will be checked on a Tuesday afternoon. Y6 children will be 'reading round the Universe' and Y5 will be 'reading round the world.' The more minutes they read for, the further they travel. Happy reading!

Please ensure Spelling books are in on Friday so that new spelling lists can be written into books to learn.

**Star of the Week** will be awarded on a Monday. The Star of the Week will be given the opportunity to create a short presentation about themselves to show the rest of the class

As you know, all the children are in the teams: **Respect, Honour, Trust** and **Courage**. Please remember your badges everyday!

**We are looking forward to a great and exciting Autumn term in Class 10!**

Please feel free to pop in or catch me in the playground if you have any concerns or queries.

Best Wishes,

**Mr I Gittins**