

Welcome to Class 11 and the Autumn term!

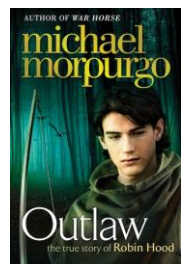


Welcome back to school after a lovely, long holiday.

We hope you are as excited as we are about coming into Class Eleven! We have lots of fun and exciting topics this year, beginning with 'A Kingdom United!'



Our English topics this half term are **Outlaw** by Michael Morpurgo and persuasive writing about a country in the UK. We will be reading *Outlaw* over the next few weeks in school and sometimes at home. We will be doing lots of different writing within this topic including descriptive writing, storyboards, diary writing and writing from a different perspective. During our persuasive writing, children will view persuasive films and use these to help them design their own film about one of the countries in the United Kingdom.



Overview of subjects this term:

English	Outlaw – Michael Morpurgo Persuasive writing/debate
Maths	Number and Place value Addition Subtraction 2-D and 3-D shape Money and measures Multiplication Division
Science	Electricity and electrical circuits
Computing	Data handling/spreadsheets
RE	How and why do Christians read the Bible?
Topic	Art and Design British Artists Geography The United Kingdom – map work, mapping skills, human and physical features
PE	Tag Ruby Gymnastics
Music	Anthems
PSHE	Gratitude & Praise and Working Together
French	Everyday life

Throughout the week, we are very lucky to be supported in Class Eleven by **Mrs Squires** will teach your children **French and Science** on a **Thursday afternoon**. We are joined by Mrs Brough, Mrs Wright and Mrs Mayor who help each day in class.

Please can children bring in the following items **every day**:

- Reading book and record
- Spelling book
- Water bottle
- Warm, waterproof coat

P.E will be on **Tuesday afternoon** and **Wednesday afternoon**. Please can all children have their full P.E kit (including labelled t-shirt, shorts and pumps/trainers) 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 a **Thursday** to be returned the following **Tuesday**. It is very important homework is completed for further practise 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). This is to ensure that children in Upper Juniors are becoming 'high school ready'.

In addition, children are expected to read, and comment upon, their reading books. Children are expected to have read **40 minutes** which should be signed by a parent/guardian for their 'Reading Around the World' and eventually 'Reading Around the Universe'.

All children will receive a Read Theory login and are expected to use this as much as possible to continue to improve their comprehension skills. **Mathletics** activities are set every week and we encourage children to use it as much as possible.

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

Starfish of the Week will be awarded on Friday and a short activity is decided by the child for the following week in order to celebrate their success at being chosen as Starfish!

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

There are a wide range of extra-curricular clubs available to Year 5 and 6 children – please see the list on the website/separate letter and let us know as soon as possible if your child is interested in any of these.

We are currently looking to organise a trip to enhance our topic work. This will be to Williamson's Park, Lancaster on Wednesday 18th September – see separate letter.

We are looking forward to a great and exciting Autumn term in Class 11! Please feel free to pop in, or catch me in the playground if you have any concerns or queries.

Best Wishes,

Miss G Rogerson