

Endeavour Spring Newsletter 2020



Welcome back! For those of you who I have not seen I would like to say thank you for all the lovely Christmas gifts I received. I was one very spoilt teacher and the lovely presents are very much appreciated. I would also like to send you my best wishes for 2020.

Year Topic Overview:

Autumn Term 1: Mission Survive

Autumn Term 2: The Lancashire Kitchen

Spring Term 1: Arabian Nights

Spring Term 2: To Infinity and Beyond!

Summer Term 1: Gold of the Gods

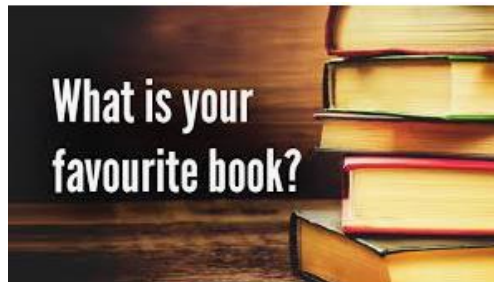
Summer Term 2: Alpha and Omega

As you can see from our year overview, we have begun 2020 in Arabia - to be specific Mesopotamia! We have already learnt that this area is the land between the two rivers of the Euphrates and the Tigris. As we explore this region, we will be transported back in time to Baghdad in 900AD and the Golden Age of Islam. We will learn all about the inventions of the time and how they have influenced our lives today. We will also find out how one of the world's first major cities fell.

SATS Meeting and Parent's Evening for Year 6 will be held this half term.
Check the newsletter for dates.

- **Reading:**

Keep an eye out for a change to our home reading system. More information will be coming out through Dojo and through letters home soon!



Last Friday saw the launch of our book vote in school. Each week Mrs Rishton will come in and share a story or an extract of a story with us. Once we have heard a few, we will then vote for our favourite each week. You are welcome to share your favourite stories with us by sending the tale or your favourite extract from it in to us.

Reading Stay and Learn is coming up - check Dojo for the latest news!

- **Public Speaking:**

On Thursday 30th January we are once again hosting the TARDIS Public Speaking competition and the theme this year is: 'who is the greatest Olympian? We will be preparing our speeches in class but practice for the performance will be needed at home.

- **Times Tables:**

Times Table Rockstars continues to be set as part of the homework each week. We conduct regular checks to assess the children's progress. Go for it and see if you can top the leader board!



- **Spelling:**

Spellings test routines will remain the same. Year 6 are now having a daily 15-minute spelling group ready for the SATS based on how words are formed. This week's spellings will give you an idea of what we are doing.

- **PE:** Our formal PE sessions continue to be on a Thursday where we will be having sessions taught by South Ribble sports coaches. The theme for this is Arabian movement and dance. We continue to do our 10 minute daily mile.

Sing Together:



The time is coming closer and we are preparing like mad for our big performance. Details have been on Dojo for tickets for the event. Our concert is Wednesday 4th March at 6pm. I will put the details on for tickets on both Dojo and our class webpage. Look out for permission letters nearer the time.

Multi Faith Week:

The week before half term Endeavour will be exploring Sikhism. We will be visiting the Sikh temple in Preston. More details to follow.

Min Y Don



Letters will be coming home for Year 5 children about our planned visit to Min Y Don in October 2020.

As always, my door is always open and you are welcome to come and speak with me either at the end of the day or with a quick meeting before school if needed. Our Class Dojo is frequently checked and any messages answered as quickly as I possibly can.

We are looking forward to this year not just being a small step but a giant leap for Endeavour Class!

Mrs Cookson and Team Endeavour!