



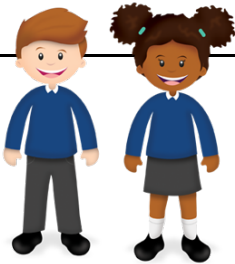
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Atlantis Newsletter

Autumn 2020

Welcome back!

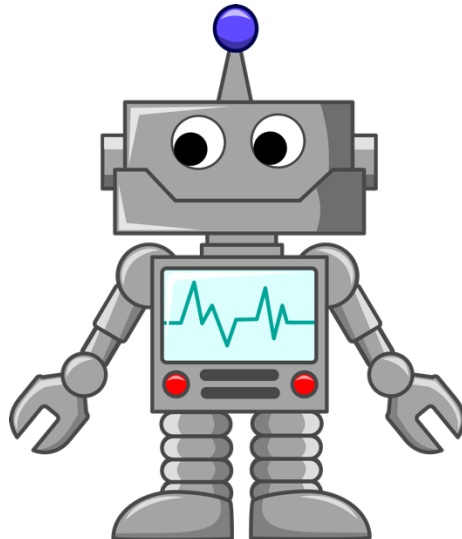


Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the second half of the first term back! We hope you have all had an enjoyable and relaxing and safe half term break. We are looking forward to the exciting things this part of the year will bring!

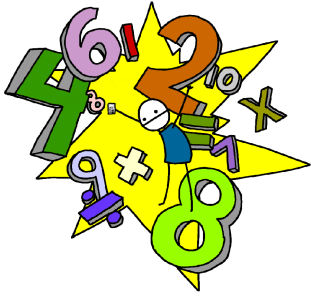
What's happening this half term?

This term in Atlantis our topic is called '**Robots**'. During this topic we will be looking at robots and how they are very different from us as humans. We will be creating our own robots which will become the main character for our own fantasy stories! We will also be writing a recount about how we planned, built and evaluated these fantastic models!



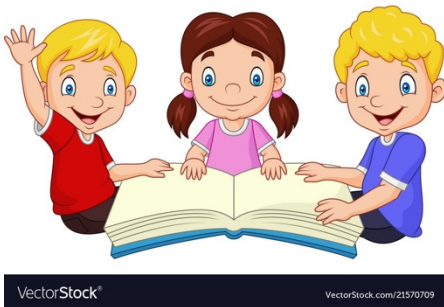
Curriculum Overview

- **Maths, English, guided reading** and **phonics** are taught daily alongside other areas of the curriculum.
- **Reading:** Children will always benefit from listening to grown-ups reading. This is where we really hope to foster a love of reading and enthuse your child. Reading for pleasure will be taught through your child listening to stories, poems, non-fiction texts, rhymes and



fairy/traditional tales. There's nothing better than listening to a good story or poem, perfect for bed-time chilling out time!

- We ask that your child reads every night using their new books (phonics book and enjoyment book) and that you record this in their new reading record book. Please write a positive comment which we can re-iterate with your child. Then, add any additional comments you wish for us to see about your child's reading e.g. If you think your child needs to re-read this book; if there are any words/graphemes your child has had difficulty with. **It is vital that your child reads every day at home.**



- **Maths:** In Year 1 and 2, the focus within mathematics is to build **fluency, problem solving** and **reasoning** across all the mathematical strands. This half term sees us focusing on number and in particular place value. We will be working within numbers your child is familiar with and getting them to have a deep understanding of number.

- **Times Tables:** We will be continuing with our work with TT Rockstar we will be continuing with our 2, 5 and 10-times tables! Keep an eye out for a teacher challenge-can you beat Mr Pitcher and Mrs Horn??

- **Spelling:** Spellings will be sent out every Monday. these will be formed from the graphemes we have been learning plus any Y1/2 common exception words. **Tests will be the following Monday giving all children the full week and weekend to learn their spellings.**

- **Homework:** Please see the attached sheet for you to pin up at home which has all the details that you need about homework.

- **PE:** Please ensure your child has their labelled PE kit in school. **PE days will be on a Monday and Friday.**

- **Forest Schools** - Forest school sessions will be starting soon. More information will be sent closer to the date.



As always, our door is always open and you are welcome to come and speak with us. Our Class Dojo is frequently checked and any messages answered as quickly as we possibly can.

We are looking forward to working together with your children and yourselves this year!

Mr Pitcher and Mrs Horn