



## Prep 7: June 2016

Dear Parents,

The end of both P7 and primary school is fast approaching and we will work hard to ensure that P7 have an enjoyable final month in Prep. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support and hard work in what has been a very busy year. Enjoy a well-deserved summer break!

<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Communication</u></b></p> <p>Our spellings will focus on key vocabulary from our whole class novel 'Journey to the River Sea.'</p> <p><b><u>Spellings:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ea, aw, a_e, or</li> <li>• ur, ea, oa, er</li> <li>• le, ow, ordinal numbers, ent</li> </ul> <p><b><u>The Big Write –</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Explanation text about The Pennines</li> <li>• Persuasive text about the Amazon as a holiday destination.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Class Novel</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We will complete our study of the novel 'Journey to the River Sea' by Eva Ibbotson.</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Using Mathematics</u></b></p> <p>Our Numeracy work will focus on a range of problem solving tasks.</p> <p>The skills being taught will cover</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Trial and improvement</li> <li>• Try a simpler case</li> <li>• Make an organised list or table</li> <li>• Look for a pattern</li> <li>• Work backwards</li> <li>• Reason logically</li> <li>• Draw a diagram or make a model</li> <li>• Act out a situation</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>The World Around Us – England and York</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Geography</u></b> - Case Study on The Pennines</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To identify the characteristics of mountains</li> <li>• To understand that rocks and mountain features are formed in a variety of ways</li> <li>• To identify and compare ways of life in a contrasting area (Mount Everest)</li> </ul>	
<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>The Arts</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Music with Mrs Murray:</u></b> In Music we will listen and appraise music from the Romantic and 20<sup>th</sup> century and compose fanfares. We will be preparing our music for Celebration of Success.</li> <li>• <b><u>Art with Mrs Herriot:</u></b> In Art we will complete be creating paper mache summer bonnets</li> <li>• <b><u>Drama with Mrs Herriot:</u></b> Prep 7 will be working on Leavers' assembly performances.</li> </ul>	
<p><b><u>PE with Mrs Henderson</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Athletics</u></b> -The girls will continue to work on techniques for sprinting, middle distance, throwing and long jump. They will also be developing their understanding of the rules of relays and learn how to measure jumps and throws. We will be competing in rounders games both in class and houses.</li> <li>• <b><u>Swimming</u></b> – The girls will partner Prep 2 pupils and take on a leadership role to support them with their introduction to swimming. They will also continue to look at personal survival</li> </ul>	<p><b><u>French with Mrs Burnett</u></b></p> <p>Bon appétit topic</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Join in with the story, song and poem.</li> <li>• Identify nouns and verbs.</li> <li>• Paired conversation about own hobbies.</li> <li>• Writing, reading and speaking in French using simple French phrases.</li> <li>• Use self-assessment sheet to evaluate learning of the topic.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Spanish with Senorita Gomez</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Describing the outside of a house</li> <li>• Using the names of the rooms inside the house</li> <li>• Explaining what rooms your house has</li> <li>• Naming a variety of objects in each room</li> </ul> <p>Asking and saying where things and people are</p>

**RE with Mrs Glover**

- For the final few weeks we will complete our research into the life of a famous Christian – Eric Liddell and will have the opportunity to undertake a group activity studying a number of world religions.

**PDMU with Miss Hamilton**

The girls will be completing the topic 'Moving On.' This unit will address:

- Understanding the factors that contribute to mutually satisfying relationships
- Changes that lie ahead and concern us
- Identifying strategies to deal with concerns about change.
- Identifying the opportunities that change will bring us.

Dates for your diary.....

- **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June** – Cycling Proficiency
- **Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June** – School Disco (P4-P7) at 7.15pm-8.15pm
- **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June** – Parent Consultations
- **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June** – VCB Senior School Induction afternoon
- **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June** – Celebration of Success at 1pm in Prep hall
- **Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> June** – P7 Leavers' Assembly at **11.30am**
- **Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June** – School closes at 1pm – No after hours
- **Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> June** – Term Ends at 11.45am – No after hours

*Another year over...phew! Good luck for Year 8!*