



Prep 7: June 2017

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;"><u>Communication</u></p> <p>Our spellings will focus on key vocabulary from our whole class novel 'Journey to the River Sea.'</p> <p><u>Spellings:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ea, aw, a_e, or • ur, ea, oa, er • le, ow, ordinal numbers, ent <p><u>The Big Write –</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explanation text about The Pennines • Persuasive text about the Amazon as a holiday destination. <p><u>Class Novel</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We will complete our study of the novel 'Journey to the River Sea' by Eva Ibbotson. <p><u>Talking and Listening</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We will debate a given topic. <p><u>Poetry (carried over from Summer A):</u></p> <p><u>Structured Poems</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Choral and Performance / Classic Narrative –The Highwayman 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Using Mathematics</u></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"> • Trial and improvement • Try a simpler case • Make an organised list or table • Look for a pattern • Work backwards • Reason logically • Draw a diagram or make a model • Act out a situation
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>The World Around Us – England and York</u></p> <p><u>Geography</u> - Case Study on The Pennines</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To identify the characteristics of mountains • To understand that rocks and mountain features are formed in a variety of ways • To identify and compare ways of life in a contrasting area (Mount Everest) 	
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>The Arts</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Music with Mrs Murray:</u> In Music we will listen and appraise music from the Romantic and 20th century and compose fanfares. We will be preparing our music for Celebration of Success. • <u>Art with Mrs Reece:</u> In Art we will be completing work on stained glass windows and looking at Old English lettering. We will also be making origami birds for our Amazon display. • <u>Drama with Mrs Clarke:</u> We will continue to develop skills in improvisation and spatial awareness. Lessons will be on fun themes for the remainder of the term as they have covered their core themes and areas of investigation. 	
<p><u>PE with Mrs Henderson</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Athletics</u> -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. 	<p><u>French with Mrs Burnett</u></p> <p>Bon appétit topic</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Join in with the story, song and poem. • Identify nouns and verbs. • Paired conversation about own hobbies. • Writing, reading and speaking in French using simple French phrases. • Use self-assessment sheet to evaluate learning of the topic.

<p><u>Latin with Mrs Stevenson</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continuing work on Military life in Roman Times Buying and selling in Roman Times Roman baths, health and hygiene. Revision of Latin verbs, nouns and adjectives <p>Myths including Midas and the golden touch.</p>	<p><u>Spanish with Senorita Gomez</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Saying where and when you practice leisure activities Matching typical summer activities Stating what you are going to do during the holidays Using a simple future tense
<p><u>RE with Mrs Glover</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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. 	<p><u>PDMU with Mrs McGlinchey</u></p> <p>The girls will be completing the topic 'Moving On.' This unit will address:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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. <p>The girls will be completing their entries for the NI Anti-Bullying Forum anti-bullying competition.</p>

Dates for your diary.....

- Monday 5th – Friday 16th June** – Cycling Proficiency
- Thursday 15th June** – School Disco (P4-P7) at 7.15pm-8.15pm
- Monday 12th – Friday 16th June** – Parent Consultations
- Friday 16th June** – VCB Senior School Induction afternoon
- Friday 23rd June** – Celebration of Success at 1pm in Prep hall
- Tuesday 27th June** – P7 Leavers' Assembly at **11.30am**
- Thursday 29th June** – School closes at 1pm – No after hours
- Friday 30th June** – Term Ends at 11.45am – No after hours

Wishing all of you the very best of luck for Year 8!

Mrs Stevenson