Aquila and Cygnus Class

The second half of the Spring term contains lots of fun and excitement in our learning. We are looking forward to the wide range of activities ahead; continuing our swimming lessons, World Book Day, Well-Being Day and having the Book Fair back in school.

HOMEWORK

Homework will continue to be the grid which is posted on Seesaw weekly. As always homework is set on a Monday and now must be uploaded to Seesaw by the following Monday – if for any reason the children are unable to upload at home they can ask to use one of the class iPads in the mornings to upload work from their homework books. Both reading and spelling activities should be daily and we encourage this regular practice. The online maths learning (Mathletics) and grid activity can be completed on any day and should take around 30 minutes. As a reminder we have included the extract from our school policy showing the whole school expectations.

Key stage 2

Frequency	Subject	Year 3/4	Year 5/6
Daily	Reading	Minimum 10 mins	Minimum 15 mins
Daily	Spelling	Minimum 5 mins	Minimum 5 mins
Once per week	English/Topic Grids	20-30 minutes	20-30 minutes
Once per week	Maths	20-30 minutes	20-30 minutes

PΕ

Swimming will continue to be on a Wednesday, the final session being on Wednesday 30th March 2022. Your child will need to bring a bag containing their swimming costume and towel.

PE will also continue to be on Wednesday and the children should come to school in their PE Kits as with previous terms. School PE kits should be worn with suitable footwear and please remove any earrings: either before the school day or before the lesson if the children are capable of removing their own.

IMPORTANT DIARY DATES

Monday 21st February Children return Wednesday 23rd February **Swimming continues Thursday 3rd March** World book day Scholastic book fair Wednesday 9th March Friday 18th March **Red Nose Day** Friday 4th March Mid-year reports sent home Tuesday 22nd March (5pm - 7.30pm)Parent consultation evening Thursday 31st March (4pm - 6.30pm)**Parent consultation evening** Friday 1st April End of Term Wednesday 20th April Summer Term starts

Maths

This half-term we will continue with our work on fractions, and then move on to money. We will also revisit the four operations and maths mastery investigations.

Computing

Children will be learning the purpose and functions of spreadsheets, as well as creating their own.

RE

We will explore what happens at Easter and why. And to begin to understand the Easter Story.

PE

Swimming – we will continue to develop our swimming skills with weekly visits to St. Neots Swimming Pool.

Gymnastics – We will develop our rotation skills.

Year 4 Rivers & Mountains

Geography

The children will learn about famous rivers and mountains, how rivers are formed, and how rivers and mountains have shaped communities.

Music

We will be learning how to play the glockenspiel.

MFL

We will continue to learn shapes, colour, prepositions, parts of the face, and parts of the body.

PSHE

In PSHE the children will learn how to identify risks to their physical and personal safety, and how they can find sources of support and care.

English

With close links to our geography unit, our English learning will be based on the text 'The Secret of Black Rock'. Children will be taking parts of the story and writing innovative prose text to create their own part of the plot. We will also explore river poems, and create our own.

Science

We will be looking at the digestive system – the parts and its function.

Also, we will be identifying different types of teeth and their function.

Art

The children will be painting river scenes inspired by Google Earth. They will also discover the works of Seurat, Signac in Pointillism, and Van Gogh's Impressionism.