



LOWER SCHOOL

Welcome back. We hope you had a relaxing half time break.

Please make a note of these important dates coming up:

Tuesday 4th March - Year 3 trip to The Natural History Museum

Thursday 6th March- World Book Day - Bedtime Stories

Friday 7th March- Target Setting

Homework



Your child will be set homework on Google Classroom every day. Please support your child completing this work. When the children log into Google Classroom, they will be directed to either EdShed or TT Rockstars for their homework. Your child should have been given the usernames and passwords needed. If your child does not know their login details, please ask their class teacher.

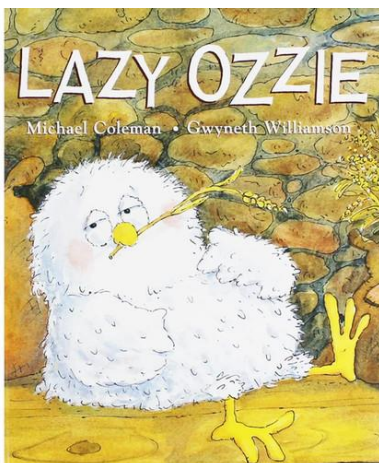
Reading

It is very important that your child reads every day. Please remember to sign your child's book when you have listened to them read. Your child will be able to change their reading book when they can demonstrate that they understand what they have read, this may be only once or twice a week. The children can also take home another book of their choice. Please read this with your child as well.

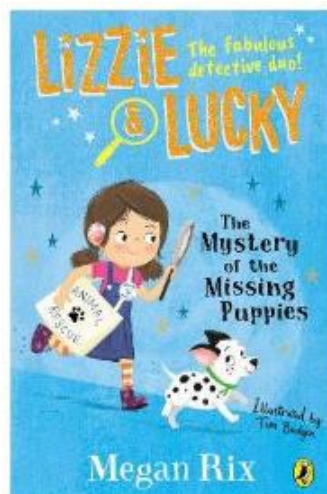


This half term the children will get to read and listen to lots of different stories. Below are some of the books they will be reading. Please encourage your child to tell you about the stories or read other books by the same author.

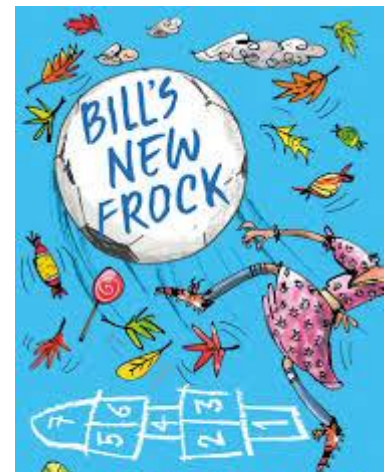
Year 1



Year 2



Year 3



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The children enjoyed last half term, especially when we had a Rabbi visit us and talk to us about Judaism, which links to our learning about important people and places in Christianity and Judaism. In R.E. we will continue to learn about important places such as churches and synagogues.

In Maths we will continue to look at numbers to 50 and use these for addition and subtraction. We will also explore length, height, weight and volume. In science we will be learning about how to identify and classify animals. History will be all about the history of Castlefield school, how it was used in the past and which significant events were taking place when it was built. In Design and Technology, we will be learning about the different types of homes we might find around the world and we will be creating our own model houses. If you have any small, clean, dry recycling at home (eg: yoghurt pots, small boxes) then please send these into school for our models. In computing we will be introduced to data handling and gathering important information.



Year 2

The Year 2 children loved learning all about flight in our History topic last half term, really getting stuck into Flight Day, creating their own hot air balloons inspired by their inventors, the Montgolfier brothers and Da Vinci. Excitingly, in our DT lessons this half term, the children will be designing, creating and analysing their own aeroplanes!



This half term, the children will be leaning all about Remembrance and its significance to us, making links between other celebrations that happen annually. In RE we will be learning about special places, understanding how some of the special people we have already learnt about might worship in different places. As Spring is just around the corner, we are really looking forward to our Science topic of Plants. We will get the opportunity to grow some plants and learn what they need to thrive. In Maths we will be working on understanding the properties of shape and learning about fractions.

Year 3

Our Year 3 children enjoyed some fascinating topics this term, especially our lessons reading and learning about Ancient Egyptian mummies, the River Nile and pharaohs. Our writing focussed on non-fiction writing skills and the children created terrific information writing about superheroes. We enjoyed welcoming parents in to school twice last term, firstly to talk through how children can be supported with their homework and then to share the children's written and creative art work in the classrooms (pictured). As we look forward to March, we have our trip to the National History Museum to study rocks and plants for our Science curriculum. We are reading Bill's New Frock by Anne Fine in our Reading lessons and Developing our understanding of length and fractions in Maths. It's a packed term in Year 3!

