

RHINE CLASS NEWSLETTER Summer Term 6 2023



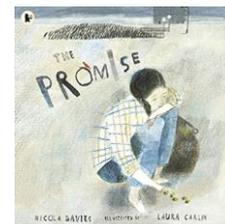
Dear Parents,

We hope you had a lovely half term break and are ready for a busy and exciting term of learning. There is a lot of exciting things happening this term and we are especially looking forward to our end of year production – Robin & the Sherwood Hoodies. Please help your children with learning their lines. There will be a letter coming soon with details on tickets, costumes and props.

As well as our trip to Malmesbury Abbey, we are also having a visit from the I can I am Bus which looks at maintaining good mental health. For more details see <https://icanandiam.com/the-bus/>

The Year 6 children will also be visiting the Life Skills Centre in Bristol to learn how to assess risk and cope with difficult situations by taking part in realistic, interactive activities. <https://lifeskills-bristol.org.uk/about-the-centre/programmes/year-6-children/>

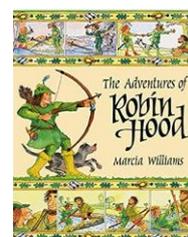
There are several sports events this term including Lacrosse Festival, short golf tournament and Chippenham Games for Year 6. Please look out for details nearer the time.



Topic

We are continuing with our topic **Location, Location, Location** with a shift in focus to the local area. We are delighted to be having a tour and talk by local historian Michael Stone, who has written many books on Chippenham and the local area.

We will be continuing to read High Rise Mystery as well as reading some of Robin Hood's adventures to aid our understanding of the play. Finally, we will be studying a book called The Promise which looks at change and new beginnings which will support children as they make their next steps.



Other areas of the curriculum that will be covered

Enrichment	Orienteering, History tour & talk of the local area, Lifepath at Malmesbury Abbey, Life Skills (Y6 only) I Can I am Bus Visit
English	Main outcome: Sequel to a story
Maths	Y3: Angles, Lines & Shapes, Perimeter of Shapes Y4: Area & Perimeter of Figures, Geometry, Position & Movement & Roman Numerals Y5: Measurements, Area & Perimeter, Volume, Roman Numerals Y6: End of Year Revision & Transition More details can be found on the Maths Section of the website and by accessing Parent Guides
Science	Forces and Light
History	Local Study
Geography	
Art and DT	Props and scenery, sketching in the local area
PSHE	Growing & Changes
Music	Songs for Robin Hood
RE	Creation
PE/Games	Athletics & Racquet Sports
Computing	Introduction to Spreadsheets
MFL	L'ancienne histoire de la Grande Bretagne (Ancient Britain)

Year 4 Multiplication Times Table Check

Year 4 will take the times table check test in week 3 of this term so it is essential they are fluent and ready to progress to the year 5 curriculum. Please keep practising and see letter before the half term with ideas.

Spelling

Please continue practising the common exception words. The children will be tested this term to see what progress they have made. These spellings are individual to each child and can be found on Spelling Frame. These spellings are different to the words covered in class and require regular practice to master.

Maths

Children in Year 5 will continue with their CGP Maths practice book which they will bring home each week to complete one section and return the following week on a Tuesday.

Children in Year 3 should be practising their times tables. All children have a Times Tables Rockstars account which they can access at home and school to practise and maintain fluency. TT rockstars no longer lets you set specific times tables, but tailors questions based on answers.

Weather ready/PE

As the weather warms up, please ensure your child has a named sunhat in school and sun cream protection has been applied to your child before attending school. A long lasting protection cream is best and avoids the need for suncream to be brought to school. PE will be on a **Wednesday and Friday** and children should come into school in their PE kit – plain navy shorts, plain white t-shirt (or new t-shirt) with plain white socks and trainers.

Forest School

This term Year 5 & 6 will have 2 sessions and Year 3 & 4 one session with Mrs Breen. Please see end of term newsletter for dates and check weekly notes for updates.

Reading & Reading Spine

Please make sure children sign their reading bookmarks and have them in school with them everyday. Every child was also given a reading spine booklet to cross off books read, many are not able to find them, please can you look at home before we re-print.

Pencil Cases

We encourage children to bring in a SMALL pencil case with a pencil, pen (this should be blue ink, no biro's are allowed), rubber, small ruler and pencil sharpener – NO SHARPIES or felt tip pens please. **All stationery should be named.** This helps them to take responsibility for things.

Snacks and Water bottle

It is very important that children are kept fuelled and hydrated throughout the day so your child will need a named water bottle in school every day.

We also recommend that have a healthy snack at break time to keep them going till lunchtime. Please ensure any reusable snack pots are named. No crisps, chocolate or other sugary snacks should be brought into school for morning break, there have been a few sneaking in.

How to contact us

The best way to contact us is to use the class email: rhineclass@stanton-st-quintin.wilts.sch.uk

We will do our best to reply but we will be teaching in the day so cannot guarantee a response during this time. For urgent messages please call the school office on 01666 837602.

We look forward to a happy and exciting term.

Mrs Matthews, Mr Carter and Mrs Mackenzie