

Happy new school year and welcome to Quartz class with Miss Forster, Mrs Pickworth and our clever Quartz gems. We hope you had a great Summer and are rested and ready for your final year of primary school! I don't know about you, but we're excited!

Our P.E days are Wednesday and Friday this term. All children should be prepared for P.E outside and inside with different footwear and an extra bag for any muddy shoes.

Homework:

- ➔ **Reading** should be done daily and recorded in their reading record books. These will be checked on a Friday.
- ➔ **Mathletics** homework will be set weekly on Thursday due for the following Thursday.
- ➔ TTRS is an optional extra for children who enjoy challenging themselves.
- ➔ Optional homework extras: see separate letter

There will be no spellings homework or testing. The children will learn their words during the school day as part of a new approach to spellings - Want to know more? You can find out all about this at our first parent engagement!

In PE, we will be enjoying netball on a Monday. On a Wednesday, we have the fabulous Coach Laura delivering gymnastic sessions on

In Computing, we will be looking at how the internet works, computing systems have evolved and how to stay safe online.



As mathematicians, we will be using White Rose to explore Place Value; the Four Operations: addition, subtraction, multiplication and division; Fractions and converting units of measure. In all our units, we will get hands on using manipulatives to secure understanding. We will be applying our learning in real life contexts through challenges and mastery level problem solving.

Place Value



As scientists we will be learning about the human body. This includes identifying the main parts of the human circulatory system, how blood works and the functions of the heart.



In humanities, we are diving deep into the Victorian Era. Who is Queen Victoria and what impact did she have on Britain and the wider world? We will also be exploring green energy and the impact of pollution.



In RE with Mrs Jones, children will be exploring Christianity: is it Creation or Science?

In P.S.H.E, we are doing my healthy self: How do my choices today shape my future health?

In Art, we will be exploring photography as a medium for expressing ideas. They will use digital media to create photographic imagery in response to a specific design brief.

In music, they will be enjoying making a class sound... as they navigate an instrument together into one piece of music.

As readers, we will be discovering the wonders of Night of the Gargoyles, planetarium and Cogheart. We will also be reading some classic poetry.



As authors, we will be looking to consolidate our basic writing skills through daily handwriting and spellings practise.

We will be writing for different purposes: a narrative: to entertain and a non-chronological report: to inform. We will also be looking at the diaries of Queen Victoria - I wonder what secrets they will reveal?

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Our parental engagement afternoon is:
Tuesday 22nd September at 2:45 pm