

Week ahead: Repton Reminders for W/B 11.09.23



A message from Mrs Chambers

Dear Families,

It is so lovely to see you all, and your children, back at school. The children seem to have settled back into school really well and it has been lovely to walk around the classes this week and to feel the 'buzz' of learning.

Please be advised that your Year Group Parent Information Evening Slides have been uploaded to your child's Year Group Page on our website. I have also created a useful table with key dates for you. These can be found here: https://www.reptonmanorprimary.co.uk/our-children/year-group-pages/

Keep an eye out for my next e-newsletter where some of our new staff will be introduced to you all.

Reception

Welcome to our lovely Early Years children!

We enjoyed a lovely Saturday morning before the start of term enjoying getting to know the children and families. It was such a lovely sunny day and we enjoyed Mr Rawling playing his guitar and singing us a few songs! The children have settled well into their half days and are busy exploring and making lots of new friendships; this is just wonderful to see. Next week we are looking forward to trying out the school dinners and staying at school for the whole day on Thursday and Friday. We will need to remember to bring in our named wellies so we can enjoy playing outside at lunchtime every day. This terms topic will see the children investigate colours in their environment and how primary colours can be mixed to create secondary colours. The children will explore the text 'Find your happy' and learn all about emotions, how to express them and how other people feel. The children will read 'How the Crayons Saved the Rainbow' and will participate in a rainbow hunt, make kindness cards for members of the local community and create a map of the story. As part of Harvest the children will investigate the colours, shapes and tastes of a range of fruits and vegetables, this will link to our learning around the text 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar'. We just can't wait to get going!

Year R first class photos – 19th Sep

Year 1

❖ In English this term, the children will listen to a range of stories such as No Hugs for Porcupine and Funny Bones. They will then story map the main events in the order they appear in the text and use drama to make the story come to life! We will also be writing cards, postcards, descriptions and begin story writing throughout term 1.

In Maths this term, we will be focusing on numbers to 10. We will be learning to represent numbers using a range of representations such as part whole models, tens frames and number tracks. We will also be using lots of manipulatives to build numbers.

In Topic, we will be focusing on the children's personal, social and emotional development and helping the children get to know the new teachers, classrooms and routines of year 1. We will be learning about what makes us special and unique and looking at our Monarch as a significant special person.

PE days are on a Monday and Tuesday.

Year 2

Our first topic this term is called 'The Golden Age'. We will be learning about Queen Elizabeth I and what life was like during her reign. We will also be studying Sir Francis Drake! We will be learning about his travels, the new lands that he explored and then creating our own explorers' outfit, new worlds and own ships!

In Writing we will listen to a story all about Queen Elizabeth I. From this, we will write an

information page to support our Golden Age topic learning. We will focus on accurate use of



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punctuation, ensuring that we remember the key components of both basic and more complex sentences, develop both fine and gross motor skills to help support writing and begin to learn how to join some of our letters.

In Maths, we will focus on place value and numbers to 100. We will be learning how to represent numbers in different ways, how to use a place value chart to partition numbers to 100 and we will practice counting in 2s, 5s, 10s and 3s. We will then move onto learning how to use the column method to add and subtract two, 2-digit numbers.

Year 2 Drama workshop, Wednesday 27th September – Closes on Arbor 22nd September

Year 3

❖ Welcome to Year 3!

Our new topic for Term 1 is 'Let There Be Light' this is going to be a very exciting topic where we will be doing lots of Science work all about light and plants! The children will be learning all about how light lets us see and what helps plants to grow. We will end this topic with a shadow puppet show of the life cycle of a plant. Then we will be moving into our next topic in Term 2 which is Stone, Fire and Ice. For this topic, we will be learning all about life in The Stone Age and some local history too.

In Maths this term we will be starting our learning with place value. This will involve learning methods for the four operations. We will learn how to use our addition, subtraction, multiplication and division skills and use these to answer a range of problem-solving questions.

In Reading, we will start off the term by looking at our class book 'The Flicker of Hope' by Julia Cook. In writing, we will be developing our story writing skills and poetry.

- Please remember to pack some fruits or vegetables for your child's snack at break times as our lunch is slightly later this year at 12.30.
- Our PE days are Wednesday and Thursdays

Year 4

There's no place like Rome! We are so excited to kick off the term with our Roman topic. We will be learning about famous people who were influential during Roman times. We will begin with learning about Julius Caesar and act out his lifeline. Don't forget our Roman Day on Friday 15th September! Feel free to wear a costume but do not feel that it is necessary. We will be making some Roman food, shields and mosaics! We can't wait. We will also be learning about Boudicca and how she was influential. We will then go on to learning about the Roman Empire and how the Romans were so successful in their invasions.

In Writing we will begin by writing a postcard all about our favourite day in the summer holidays! This will help us to focus on some of our GPS (Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling) rules such as using an apostrophe for a possession and knowing when to use a/an before a word. We will then be focusing on myths and legends from Roman times and we will begin by looking at the tale of Romulus and Remus. We will retell the myth but use our own characters! After that, we will be looking at diary entries. We will create a diary entry linked with Roman times and the children will get to choose which perspective they will write it from.

In Maths, we will begin by looking at Place Value. This is exploring with Thousands, Hundreds, Tens and Ones. Children will get a chance to use resources to help broaden their understanding and answer problem solving questions linked to it. We will then be looking at Addition and Subtraction.

Reminders: Our PE days will be on Tuesdays (Swimming) and Wednesdays. When swimming, as in Year 3, children should come to school in their PE kit with their swimming clothes on underneath. This makes for a quick entrance into the pool and easier changing afterwards. The children will be reassessed when they get there and sorted into groups.



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	 Bikeability deadline is the today (8th September). Unfortunately, we cannot cater for beginners but if you can have a try on a bike before the sessions in October then the coaches will assess the children when they arrive. Year 4 swimming will commence Tuesday 12th September. This will be every Tuesday morning and will run through terms 1&2. Please note: There is the option to contribute to this activity via Arbor, with a suggested donation of £30, although any contribution would be greatly appreciated.
Year 5	 ❖ Welcome to Year 5! We are all so very excited to have you back and joining us for the adventures that we shall embark on in the year to come! This term, we begin our year with a very exciting topic. 'Journey to the Americas'. Year 5 will delve deep into history to discover what life was like long ago for the Maya in South America. In the second half of Term 2, we will be exploring Earth and space; as part of this unit, we will be planning an evening stargazing session. We will communicate the date for this at the beginning of Term 2. Every week, the children will be lucky enough to have trumpet lessons with a specialist on Tuesdays and will have swimming lessons at The Ashford School every Wednesday from 12/09/23 - 10/10/23 and then 31/10/23 - 28/11/23. We can't wait to get stuck in! ~ Mr Jobber and Mr Graham ~ ❖ Year 5 swimming will commence Wednesday 13th September. Year 5 swimming will be every Wednesday morning and will run through terms 1&2. ❖ Ready, steadycook sign up closes - 22nd November
Year 6	 This term, we begin our year with a very exciting topic The Victorians: all work and no play! Year 6 will explore this dynamic time in British history, develop an understanding of the many inventions and advancements of the period and learn what life was like for children born during this era. Our Reading text, The Street Child, will enhance their topic knowledge as will their Writing and Art studies which focus on the works of L.S. Lowry. Bikeability course – Week beginning 11th Sep All bikes to be stored on the grass by Miss Pittam's classroom (near to the back gate). The instructors will be ready to start checks from 8:45am. Once the children have completed their playground session they will put their bikes away securely and will have the option of keeping them at school for the week.
Whole school	 X ALL medications must be bought directly to the office. We ask the children do not school with medications in their bag please X Any children with existing medications will have collected this before the summer, please call in the office to sign any new medications back in, if you do not we will assume this is no longer needed. Please ensure that you sign up for trips before the
	deadline. Parent and child experiences needed - Management of asthma

your query be of an urgent nature please do call the office. ❖ To help understand how different professionals work with each other to support those who have a child (or are a child) with asthma or allergies, the KSCMP have developed a short survey for parents/carers and young people to complete. The survey can be accessed by visiting

https://forms.office.com/e/eHDnYDpm2E. Below is the QR

code.

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Useful contacts:

For attendance and absences email: attendance@reptonmanor.kent.sch.uk For finance related gueries email: finance@reptonmanor.kent.sch.uk for all other queries email: office@reptonmanor.kent.sch.uk

Pastoral and **Inclusion**

Dear Parents/Guardians

We have a selection of spare school uniform (as well as some items of non-school uniform) which we would like to offer to any families who may benefit. School uniform predominantly includes fleeces, jumpers and cardigans; however, we do have a small collection of polo shirts, trousers/skirts of various sizes. Non-school uniform items include zip-up jackets, jumpers, tracksuit bottoms and t-shirts. If you would like to receive a package of uniform/non-uniform clothing items for your child/children, please enquire at the main office or by emailing Sarah Crook using flo@reptonmanor.kent.sch.uk.

Community





Kennington Juniors Football Club are offering the following Football Training Sessions, to take place following Football Training Sessions, to take place every Saturday Morning, commencing Saturday 9^{cd} September 2023, at the Ashford Hockey Club, Ball Lane, Kennington TN25 4EB.

School Year 1 Group - 08.30 - 09.40 School Year 2 Group - 09.45 - 10.55 School Year Groups 3-5 - 11.00 - 12.10 Girls School Years 5-6 - 12.15 - 13.25

A fully qualified coach, with appropriate child welfare certification, will manage sessions. Please feel free to bring your child along - Cost per session is £5. Preferably your child should wear Football Boots and Shin Pads to the sessions.

If you require any further details, please contact Graham Jordan – Mobile 07934349666 or Email g.jordan439@btinternet.com

We look forward to seeing you

Ground: Auhford Hockey Club, Ball Lane, Kennington, Auhford, Kenr. TN25-4EB Grammittee: Chairman, Russell Ades, Secretary, Dorson Adea, Treasurer, Mark Eusles. Grammittee Members: Soe KIPC Website.



