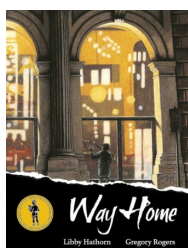


Mrs Boothroyd
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Welcome back! We hope everyone had a fantastic summer break and is feeling refreshed and ready for the new school year. This term, pupils will be taking part in a range of exciting lessons, activities and learning opportunities across the curriculum. In this newsletter, you can find out more about what pupils will be studying and what to look forward to during Autumn 1.

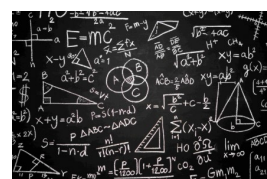
English

In English, pupils will study *Way Home* by Gregory Rogers, exploring how illustrations tell a story and create sympathy for characters. They will develop inference and analytical skills by interpreting visual clues, analysing the illustrator's methods and exploring themes such as belonging, isolation, hope and compassion. Pupils will refine their analytical writing throughout the unit before producing a sustained literary response evaluating the text as a whole.



Maths

This half term in Maths, pupils will explore ratio, proportion, scale and direct number. They will develop their ability to compare quantities, solve proportional reasoning problems and use scale in real-life contexts. These topics will strengthen their mathematical reasoning and problem-solving skills, helping them to recognise relationships between numbers and apply their learning with confidence.



Science

This half term in Science, pupils will learn about the periodic table and transport systems. They will explore the properties of elements, how the periodic table is organised, and how substances are transported around living organisms. These topics will develop scientific understanding through practical investigations and real-world applications.



PSHE

This term, our pupils will be focusing on their health and well-being. Pupils will explore topics such as emotional resilience, managing stress, personal safety, and healthy lifestyle choices. The lessons are designed to be engaging and practical, giving pupils the skills to look after their own well-being and to make positive choices as they move through adolescence.

Personal Development Programme

Next term, pupils will continue to take part in our Personal Development programme, which supports their social, emotional and mental health needs while building important life and work-related skills. In each lesson, pupils will be encouraged to grow in confidence and self-awareness, show a positive attitude to learning, work well with others, and manage their own behaviour. The programme is designed to help pupils develop the personal skills they need to succeed both in school and beyond whilst having fun!



POL-ED



This term, our pupils will follow the Pol-Ed well-being curriculum, which focuses on supporting their mental health, emotional resilience and personal safety. Lessons will help pupils explore positive coping strategies, understand how to manage stress, and develop the confidence to make safe and healthy choices. The aim is to give young people the tools to look after their own well-being and prepare them for the challenges of growing up.

Extra-Curricular

- ◆ Doe Park
- ◆ Visits from external organisations
- ◆ Forest Schools and other off site activities
- ◆ Reward Trips

How you could support your child:

- Show an interest in what your child is learning about
- Ensure they come to school in the right uniform
- Keep in contact with school regarding any relevant issues