

# The Federation of Longhorsley and Whalton C of E Schools

# Class 2 Autumn 1 Newsletter



In Autumn 1, we will focus on exciting topics and activities to engage the students. Parents are always welcome to reach out with any questions or concerns. Weekly homework will be given on Thursday and due by the following Wednesday. Spelling tests will be on Tuesdays, with spelling lists provided in your child's reading record. Thank you, Mr. Chambers.

#### ~Maths~

In Maths, Year 3/4 will focus on place value, deepening their understanding of number through ordering, comparing, and recognising the value of digits.

They will then move on to addition and subtraction, practising written and mental strategies and applying their skills to problem-solving activities.

# ~Literacy~

In English, children will be exploring the theme of dreams through an exciting text. They will take part in book talk, grammar activities, and shorter writing tasks, before planning and writing their own sequel. Pupils will also design a flying machine and write instructions to explain how it works.

# ~Science~

In Science, children will develop their enquiry skills by practising observation, classification, pattern seeking, fair testing, and researching secondary sources. They will be inspired by the work of famous scientists such as Mary Anning, Linnaeus, Darwin, Edison, Bell, and Ibn al-Haytham. Pupils will plan and carry out investigations, record their evidence, and reflect carefully on their methods. This unit will help them to grow in confidence as scientists, building curiosity about the world around them.

# ~Computing~

In Computing, we will learn about the internet as a network of networks. They will explore how devices connect, what types of media can be shared, and how websites are created. Pupils will also discuss reliability online.

~Religious Education~

In RE, children will explore the

#### ~PE~

In PE, children will develop their football skills. They will practise passing, dribbling, and shooting, while also learning the importance of teamwork, communication, and fair play. Small-sided games will help them apply their skills in match situations.



### ~Art~

In Art, Year 3/4 will explore
Ancient Egyptian sculpture.
They will learn how art showed
stories and beliefs, practise
drawing Egyptian figures, and
experiment with clay
techniques. Pupils will then
design and make their own clay
figures, adding detail to
communicate meaning, before
evaluating their finished work.



## ~History~

This term, we will be exploring the world of the Anglo-Saxons. Children will investigate why they came to Britain, where they settled, and how life changed with the arrival of Christianity. Through key questions, they will also explore leaders like Alfred, Anglo-Saxon justice, and whether the Dark Ages were truly "dark."



