

# ALKELDA

## newsletter

### Computing

This half term our topic is Journey Inside a Computer. We will recognize inputs and outputs, explain how the parts of a laptop work together, explain what an algorithm is, suggest what memory is for inside a computer and make comparisons between different types of computer.

### PSHEe

This term our topic is Health and Wellbeing, we will be understanding that food choices, exercise, dental hygiene, positive relationships and managing feelings are all important to keep healthy. We will also be looking at relaxation, describing a calm place that helps them to feel relaxed.

### ALKELDA REMINDERS!

**PE Kit** - Please can you make sure these are in school all week

**READING** - Children should be reading every evening and coming to school with their book **each day**.

**SPELLINGS** - Please practice these daily. Spelling tests are on a Friday.

**TIMES TABLES** on TTRS - Year 3

**NUMBOTS** - Year 2

**HOMEWORK** - Homework will be sent out on a Friday and due in the following Wednesday.

### History

This half term we will be learning why the Romans invaded and settled in Britain. We will be able to explain what was important to people in Ancient Rome, the meaning of the words 'empire', 'invasion' and 'settlement', analyse the different reasons for the Roman invasion and use artefacts to make deductions about the lives of Roman soldiers.

### Music

Our topic is Sounds of Latin America and Latin Dance. We will be using our voices to expressively and creatively sing songs, chants and rhymes.



## Spring 1

### RE

Year 2 will focus on the question 'How and why do we celebrate special and sacred times?' whilst year 3 will be questioning 'Why are festivals important to religious communities?'

### PE

PE this half term we be with Mrs Mercer on a Monday and swimming will be on a Thursday afternoon.

### Science

Our unit in Science is States of Matter. We will be comparing the 3 states of matter, exploring how particles behave in each of the states, investigating melting points, exploring freezing and boiling points, evaporation and condensation and linking this to the water cycle.

### English

This half term we will begin narrative writing. We will be writing a narrative using The Secret of the Black Rock as inspiration. We will then use How a Robot Dog Works to write our own explanation texts. We will continue to work on our grammar, punctuation, handwriting and spelling within our units of work and through discrete sessions.

### Maths

Year 3 will be studying fractions before moving onto mass & capacity. In year 2 we will be looking at length & height and then mass, capacity and temperature. We will continue to hone our reasoning and problem solving skills.

### Design & Technology

In our unit this half term we will be looking at Eating Seasonally. We will practise the skills of cutting and peeling, taste test ingredients before making our own seasonal tarts. Finally, we will evaluate our tarts.

### French

Our topic is birthday party. We will be practicing the months of the year, saying our age, whilst developing our understanding listening to French stories.