



Dear all,

Welcome back, we hope you had a fantastic half term.

This half term we will be learning all about the Jurassic Coast, with a special focus on local paleontologist Mary Anning.

Please make sure your child has a jumper and coat in school every day. As per our uniform policy, they should also now be wearing tights with skirts.

PE will continue to be Mondays, please ensure PE kit is warm. Children need to carry on wearing their kit into school with their blazer over the top.

**Homework:**

Every day: 10 minutes reading

Mon: Phonics practise set/due

Fri: Spelling Shed set/due

We have also attached some special projects for you to complete around our theme for this term.

We can't wait to see you!

Miss Powell, Miss Chant and Mrs Denning.

## OUR DRIVING QUESTION:

## How can we, as palaeontologists, discover the history of our local area?

**AS WRITERS** we will be finding out about the life of Mary Anning and retelling her story as well as going on a trip to the stone age.

**AS MATHEMATICIANS** we will be learning how to order, count, add and subtract numbers to 20. Later in the term we will learn about shape, length and height.

**AS HISTORIANS** we will become palaeontologists, discovering all about the Jurassic period.

**AS COMPUTER SCIENTISTS** we will be thinking about how to use computers including developing our typing skills.

**AS SPORTS STARS**, we will be developing, mastering and practicing our catching and throwing skills both under and overarm. We will use a variety of ball sizes and perfect our skills sequences.

**AS SCIENTISTS** we will continue to learn all about plants, including how to identify garden and wild plants. We will also continue our seasons observations, thinking about the changes we can see as we move into winter.

**AS CITIZENS** (in PSHE) we will be learning about germs and how to stay healthy. We will also look at friendships. In RE we will be learning about stories of Jesus including the Christmas story.

**AS DESIGNERS** we will be looking at how to combine colour and taste to make the most delicious fruit salad possible. We will use planning and evaluating tools efficiently in teams.

### THINGS TO REMEMBER

- WARM PE Kits to be WORN TO SCHOOL on Mondays.
- Please read daily with your child.

# JURASSIC COAST



## Termly homework

Please choose at least two of these projects to complete at home and bring into school to display.

Practice using cutlery to cut up fruit at home, can you slice a banana evenly?

Type an email to a friend or relative. Can you find all of the letters and add capitals where you need to?

Chesil beach is a UNESCO World Heritage site. What does this mean? Research it and see if you can find one other to learn about.

Compare the heights of the people who live in your house. Who is the tallest? Shortest?

Practice your throwing skills using an egg in your garden. How many throws and catches can you do before it drops and breaks?

Interview someone in your family about something exciting that happened in their own life. What big events can they tell you about?

Identify three plants in your garden or in a park. Draw a picture and label each one, making careful observations.

Make a healthy menu showing the food your family are going to eat over a week.

Go on a winter walk and take photos or draw pictures of the changes you can see around you.