



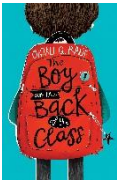
Sycamore
Newsletter

Swannington CofE Primary School

Autumn 1



Hello everyone and welcome back! I hope you all had a wonderful, relaxing summer. Now is the time to get back to hardwork and learning. Below is an overview of everything to expect in the Autumn term. As always, thank you for your support and if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

 Maths In the first autumn term, the children will be focussing on place value and the four key mathematical operations: Addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.	 Writing In writing, we will be focussing on Writing to persuade. We will be exploring the key features of a persuasive piece of writing before the children write their own persuasive piece.	 Reading This half-term, we will be reading 'The Boy at the Back of the Class' by Onjali Q. Raúf.	 RE During this unit, pupils will be learning all about what can be done to reduce and prevent racism. The children will be exploring the idea that religion may be able to help with this.
 PE On a Thursday the children will be learning key football skills with Mr Nic's and on a Friday the children will be doing Tag Rugby with Mr Worrell.	 History During this unit, pupils will build upon their knowledge in relation to empires and slavery.	 French In French, the children will be learning about dates. Children will consider, the days and months of the year.	 Science This term, pupils will be learning about Earth and Space. We will look at the big bang theory, motion, gravity, the solar system and the planets.
 Art and DT This term, our unit of art is looking at African masks. The children will be exploring their significance and using inspiration to create their own.	 PSHCE During this unit, pupils will learn about what makes a good friend. And the important role that communication can play.	 Music In Music, the children will be learning the song, Livin' on a prayer.	 Geography In geography, our unit this term is all about people and population. We will be exploring population dynamics in a variety of places and comparing it to our local area.

Key dates and information:

PE will be on a Thursday and Friday

Life Education Bus – Friday 18th September

Residential to Laches Wood – Wednesday 30th September – Friday 2nd October

Meanwhile...At home, please remember to...

 Read with your child as much as possible! Encourage them to read different genres and a range of fictions and non-fiction texts.	 Prompt them to practice their times table using TTRS and improve their fluency using Numbots – same login details.	 Practice your child's spellings with them – Tests will be on Fridays.
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