

# Asteroid Class - Summer 1 & 2 2024

## Welcome back!

A very big welcome back to school after the Easter break. I hope you all had an enjoyable holiday and are ready to return for another fun filled term. The summer term is very busy with many trips and events taking place including auditions for the end of year production before half term, Sports Day Afternoon, Love Science who are sheep tracking for last year's light topic and of course SATs in Week 6.

## Timetable

The children will follow a similar pattern of learning every morning with a 'busy start' task, collective worship, whole class guided reading, English and Maths. Afternoon subjects will be as follows:

**Monday** – Computing followed by Library and French

**Tuesday** – Science

**Wednesday** – Geography

**Thursday** – Re and Art

**Friday** – PE and Music

\* PE kit should be kept in school all week as sometimes they are needed on days other than Thursday.

## Our golden thread this half term is:

### *Embracing the Wider World*

We want our children to understand and appreciate diversity of the multi-cultural Britain in which we live, thinking beyond West Tanfield, North Yorkshire and thinking more globally.

### **Some areas we will cover this half term...**

- Maths: Year 5 and 6: Perimeter and area, Fractions and percentages, Statistics.  
Year 4: Coordinates and translation, Review of fractions, fractions greater than 1.
- English: 'Zoo' by Anthony Browne.
- Spellings: Please see separate document.
- PSHE: Physical health and mental wellbeing.
- History: Invaders and settlers. Who we are.
- Geography: Can a volcano also be an island? The Galapagos
- Design Technology: Structures – Bridges
- Art: Landscape art and the Natural World.
- PE: Run, Jump, Throw, Athletics.
- RE: Why are festivals important to religious communities?
- Music: World Unite.
- French: Year 3 and 4 – Family, ask and answer questions.  
AND Year 5 and 6 – Homes, months of the year, days of the week (sheep tracking).
- Computing: Coding
- Science: Plants

## Need to contact us...

[admin@west-tanfield.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:admin@west-tanfield.n-yorks.sch.uk) for any general enquiries, absences or correspondence out of school hours.

## Homework

Children should be reading EVERY day and record their reading in their planner. They also still have access to [TTRockstars](https://www.ttrockstars.com) for regular practice of instant recall facts.

## Water bottles

Please make sure the children have a clean water bottle in school every day.

## Snack (no nuts please)

The children may bring a healthy snack for break, eg fruit, veg or cereal bar.

## Uniform

Please do ensure that all items of uniform, including shoes, are clearly labelled with your child's name.

## Communication

Don't forget to follow our Twitter page to get regular snapshots of life in Asteroids, Comet and Rocket Class!

An email is sent each week from the school office with reminders of things parents need to know for the week ahead.

Any letters are always sent out by email; for ease, these are also uploaded to the letters section of the website for future reference.

There is a 'whole school news' section on the front page of the website, which has up to date articles added for parents. This can be accessed by scrolling down the page. The latest articles will always appear at the top.

Newsletters are sent each half term and posted on the class page of the website.