



ACK CEP School



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FALCONS CLASS NEWSLETTER

What's going on in Falcons Class this term?

Dear Pupils, Parents and Guardians,
Welcome back to the new school year. I hope you had a relaxing summer break and are excited and ready to delve back into learning. I am really thrilled to be your new teacher this year and Mrs Cryer, Mrs Basaratti and I are looking forward to a successful year full of fun, creativity and most importantly challenging learning.

 **The Land Down Under** 

Our overarching theme this term is all based around the amazing country of Australia. Much of the learning that takes place in other subjects will be cross curricular and link to the topic wherever possible.

If there are any questions or issues you have or would like to know how to help your child at home, please don't hesitate to see me at the classroom door at the end of school or book an appointment via the office.

English and Maths

Our English lessons will be linked to our topic this term. We will be studying Aboriginal Dreamtime Stories—analysing them and identifying their features, performing drama and then planning and writing our own. We will also be looking at real life issues to do with The Great Barrier Reef and creating balanced arguments surrounding the issues.

At Ash, Cartwright and Kelsey, we are using the White Rose Maths scheme. This term there is a focus on place value and calculating using the four operations.

Each week we will also be focusing on times table and mental maths practice too.



Other Subjects

Science: Evolution & Inheritance
Art: Aboriginal Art
History: Aborigines
Geography: Australia
PE: Netball/Dance
RE: Christianity
ICT: Advertising



Home Learning

Homework will be sent next week and will consist of activities to choose from a grid which is based around our topic. The children will be responsible for completing a task each week and then bringing them in just before the end of term.

We would also welcome as much support in reading with your child at home, learning times tables by heart and practicing mental maths skills too.

PE

PE sessions will take place on a Wednesday and Thursday. This is an important part of the National Curriculum. Please can every child ensure that they have full PE kit in school at all times and, as the weather is getting cooler, please ensure that your child has something warm to wear for outdoor sessions.

If your child wears earrings, they are responsible for taking them out just before the session and looking after them. If they cannot remove them, they should be taken out at home before the school day.

Thank you for your continued support