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Stiperstones Newsletter Spring 2

Welcome to the second half of our Spring Term, we are looking forward to the weeks ahead and starting to see all of our skills learnt over the first part of the Spring term being used throughout our lessons. The children worked incredibly hard last half term and we made us all incredibly proud.

In class this half term we will be focusing on a book called *The Darkest Dark* by Chris Hadfield. During this English unit we will be focusing on recount genre, using our SPAG features such as the 5W's: who, what, when, where, why. All of these new skills will help us to write an informal blog, recount time line of events and a biography. In Maths we will be concentrating on our multiplication and division unit, learning how to use a grid method and short written method to multiply 2 digits by 2 digits and 2 digits by 3 digits. We will then learn how to use the short division method. We will also be developing our times table knowledge and recall speed. In Science we will be starting our Earth and Space unit of work. Exploring the movement of the Solar System, describing the movement of the Moon relative to the Earth and using the idea of the Earth's rotation to explain day and night; and the apparent movement of the sun. We will be continuing our Geography unit, focusing on the geographical landscape of the Antarctic- exploring the big question 'Could we live on Antarctica?' In RE we will be developing an understanding of Salvation, exploring the true meaning of the Easter story. In PE we will be participating in mindfulness stretching once a week. This unit of work links with our PSHE unit of Health and Wellbeing. In the second hour of PE the children will be completing in multi-skills activities, focusing on developing fitness, strength, flexibility and coordination. In Music we will be looking at *The Fresh Prince of Bell-Air* music, focusing on the beat, instruments and learning our own song. In DT, we will be focusing on food design and technology. Developing our understanding of food hygiene, nutrition, healthy eating and a varied diet. The children will design, make and evaluate a food product over the half term.

Whilst in Stiperstones, we expect your child to read at least 5 times a week, with their reading book and record being in school each day. Please can you write a comment about how they have read. Spellings will be linked our no nonsense scheme and sent home on a Monday. Your child is expected to learn these at home ready for a test on the following Monday. Your child will have the opportunity to have PE twice a week. Our set days are Tuesday and Thursday, but due to the weather this might change. We ask for all children to keep their PE kits in school and they will be sent home at the end of the half term.

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As a church school, our learning takes place through Christian Values. This term we are looking at Forgiveness. The children will be looking at how this value links to our learning and how they can display our value in their everyday lives. If you see your child, or any member of the Holy Trinity community displaying any of our core values, we'd love to hear about it. We will be awarding children who go above and beyond to show our values a special award at the end of each term. If you have any questions or concerns about any of the above, please do not hesitate to ask.

Many thanks,
Miss Scoltock and Mrs Walmsley

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