

Year 1 Newsletter – Issue 15

Going for Gold – Summer B 2019

As you will already know from our last letter the title of our new topic for this half-term is 'Going for Gold'. We will be using current sporting events to lead the theme of our learning this half-term.

Week 1: Introduction to our topic

Weeks 2-3: The Women's Football World Cup.

Weeks 4-5: Wimbledon

Weeks 6-7: Tour de France

During these weeks we will cover a range of different subjects.

As Geographers we will be locating different world cup countries on a world map and saying which continent the other countries of the world cup are located. We will be comparing the geographical features of France in the Tour de France with our city.

As Historians we will be learning about significant sports people from Britain both past and present. We will also learn about the history of Wimbledon.

As Design Technologists we will be looking at medals from different sports and using what we find out to design and make our own. We will be holding a Wimbledon day, where we will prepare a strawberries and cream snack and watch some Wimbledon tennis on the classroom displays. Children will also have the opportunity to take part in some tennis activities in the playground throughout the day.

As learners in **Computing** we will be learning about using the directional keys on a keyboard to navigate around a page. We will continue to learn about keeping safe on the internet.

Sports Photos

It's still not too late to send in photos of your child participating in a sport or physical activity. We are also happy to receive photos of children dressed in their sports kits. This might be a ballet kit, swimming kit, taekwondo kit etc. We plan on creating a display in school of all the photos we get and need a few more! Photos can be emailed to admin@langstone-inf.portsmouth.sch.uk or alternatively you can print them at home and send them in to us with your child.

Topic links

As part of our topic this week the children have been learning the 7 continents of the world. Please follow the link to a song we have taught them to help:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K6DSMZ8b3LE> (NB: this is a YouTube link, please supervise your child when accessing the internet. The school cannot be held responsible for inappropriate content on external sites).

Moving to Year 2

During the last few weeks of the term the children will be getting the opportunity to meet their new year 2 teachers. They will participate in transition activities preparing them for the move. We will be sending home details of their new class towards the end of term.

Water Bottles

Each year millions of tonnes of plastic finds its way into our oceans polluting the seas and harming the creatures that live in it. Plastic doesn't decompose, it just gets smaller. Over time a single plastic bottle

can break up into over 10,000 pieces of micro plastic, these very small bits of plastic can be poisonous to our marine life. We are asking you to support us in reducing the amount of plastic we use.

We are committed to reducing our impact on the environment and whilst the bottles we supply to our pupils are 100% recyclable, they are a “**bottle for life**” and are designed to last for as long as they are needed.

Therefore, we are asking the parents of our current Year 1 children to keep their school water bottle safe over the summer holidays and bring it back into school on Wednesday 4th September when they will be given a new lid.

Our supplier is now limiting the number of bottles we can order so if your child does lose their water bottle a replacement can still be purchased from the school office for £1.20 while stocks last. We will however have plenty of replacement lids at 30p each. Once the school stocks of run out, replacement water bottles will need to be purchased from Penelope Ann's in Tangier Road. Other types of water bottles are not acceptable and should only be brought to school as a lunchtime drink.

Library Visits

The anticipated date of the next visit for each class is detailed below.

Class 5 - Tuesday 11th June 2019 - already completed

Class 6 - Tuesday 18th June 2019

Class 4 - Tuesday 25th June 2019

This will be the children's last visit to the library this academic year. Please can you ensure all Library books are returned in time for the final visit of your child's class. If you are available to help walk with your child's class. Please let the teacher know.