



# Uranus Class News!

What we are learning:

## English:

We will be focusing on a range of writing styles this term. These will include: an historic narrative, a non-chronological report, and a monologue. This term will aim at developing the children's individual style in their writing; ensuring it is cohesive, exciting and ambitious.

In reading, we will be reading many text types with a focus on Katherine Rundell as our class author. Some of the texts we will be reading is: The Explorer, The Great Kapok Tree, and The Rain Player.

## Maths:

In Maths this term, we will be continuing our work on Fractions. Following this, we will move onto decimals and percentages. This will work along side basic arithmetic each week to practise essential maths skills such as long and short multiplication, short division, and basic arithmetic. In addition, we will also be dedicating one lesson a week to problem solving and strategies we can use to tackle these problems.

## Science and Topic:

In science, we will be focusing on forces. We will be investigating different forces and how they act on an object. This will involve many experiments to see how each one affects our everyday lives.

In topic, we will be looking at the Maya civilisation. Studying what we know about them, how they lived, and the similarities and differences between our own modern lives. We will also be looking at the food, which will involve making hot chocolate! Yum!

Welcome back! Firstly, I want to say a massive thank you to all parents over the past term for your continued support. It's been a difficult year, but it's been made much easier with your help. The children came back enthusiastic and determined last term, and I'm sure they're looking forward to finishing the year with a level of normality. As we approach the final couple of terms in the year, there will be a focus on ensuring the children have all the right skills to enter year 6 with confidence. We will ensure that the children have a strong fundamental knowledge of key subjects, so they can apply these skills to all areas in that subject.

## Our Values:

Our values this term are  
Forgiveness and Respect

## Dates for the diary:

21st April: World Earth Day

3rd May: Bank Holiday

10th May: KS2 Cricket with Yorkshire Cricket

## Reminders:

Outdoor PE sessions will continue to be on Thursdays. Please can the children come into school in their outdoor PE kit.

All the children should know their TTRockstars login. TTRockstars is great at ensuring children know their times tables fluently. We will continue to have a TTRockstar of the week that will be based on average time spent on it, most improved time, or most correct answers.

Please can children spend some time each day either reading by themselves, with adults, or listening to audio books. If you would like any book recommendations suitable to your child, please let me know.

Spellings have been sent home. These will be tested each week on Monday. I will upload a spelling activity sheet onto the school website to help with practising.

Any shoe boxes that you can donate to the class would be greatly appreciated.