



King's Academy Oakwood

**Dare to be Remarkable**



# Pine Class

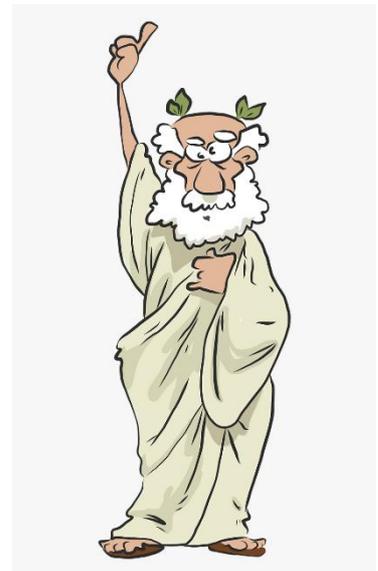
# Summer 2022

I can't believe we are in the final term of the academic year. Time sure flies when you are having fun. We have a lot to look forward to this term including our Year 4 residential and there's lots more to learn too.

## English

In English this term, we will be learning to write the build-up of a story. This is the biggest and most exciting part of any story and we will be learning how we can use sentence structure to create tension and excitement as well as using our senses to create atmosphere. We will also be revisiting persuasion techniques but this time we will be creating TV adverts.

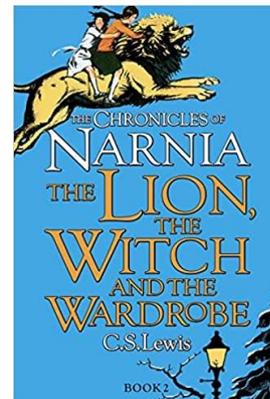
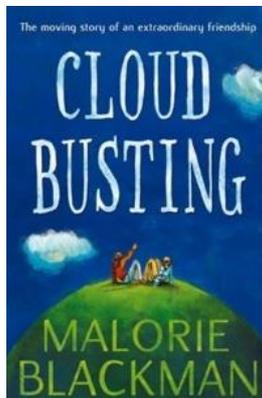
After half term, our writing will be linked to our history topic on Ancient Greeks and we will learn about and write our own Greek myths. We will also focus on writing for purpose in the form of letters.



## Reading

This half term, in class we will be reading *Cloud Busting* by Malorie Blackman and during guided reading we will be studying *The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane* by Kate DiCamillo.

After half term, we will be reading *Peter Pan* and in Guided reading we will be studying *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe*.



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## Maths

We will finish our learning on decimals before moving onto Money and Time. We will be considering real life problems as well as converting between units of measurement. Children need to be able to tell the time accurately on both digital and analogue clocks and will learn to convert between 12 and 24 hour clocks.

After half term, we move on to learning about statistics including how we use the data which has been collected. We then move to our final topic for the year which is Shape and Space. Within this topic, we will learn about the properties of shape as well as position and direction including coordinates and translating shapes.



## Science

We will be learning about electricity this term. It is a big topic and will continue after the May half term. Our summer term lessons will cover electrical safety. We will also be sorting appliances (based on whether they are mains-powered or battery powered), learning the names of electrical components and making working circuits. As part of our scientific investigations, we will be testing a range of materials to help us understand conductors and insulators. As scientists, we hope to be able to talk about the results, present our findings and make conclusions.



## Humanities



Our Geography topic this term is the United Kingdom. We will be learning about human features such as population numbers and land use. We will also be researching topographical features, including the main hills, mountains, coasts and rivers of the UK.

After the May half term, our History topic will be Ancient Greeks. We will be learning why the Ancient Greek civilization was considered so advanced. We will also be reading some Greek myths and researching some Greek Gods and Goddesses. Finally, we will be comparing and contrasting life in modern-day Greece with life in Ancient Greece.

## RE

This half term, we will be learning more about Buddha's Teachings (Buddhism). Children will consider what makes a good and bad choice, what influences the choices we make and the consequences of these choices.



After May half term, we will be learning about Christian Prayer and Worship. We will find out more about churches and children will have the opportunity to consider places which are special to them and what makes them special.

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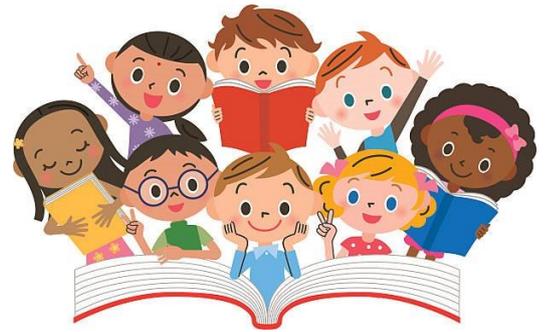
# HOME LEARNING

There are no changes to our home learning offer. Home learning continues to consist of Reading, Times Tables, Spelling and an additional weekly task. Home learning tasks will all be set on Google Classroom or handed out. Please ensure that children are completing all these tasks as it has a hugely positive impact on their learning.

## Reading at Home

Children will continue to bring home a book from the Reading Scheme (if appropriate) or a book from the Year 4 suggested reading list as well as a weekly library book.

We expect children to be reading aloud at home on a daily basis. Please encourage your child to fill in their reading record every time they finish a book or have read several chapters. As well as helping your child with fluency, expression and word reading, it is important to discuss the text with your child to check their comprehension and understanding of the text. Also encourage your children to summarise for you what they have read.



## Times Tables



In June, all children have to do a national times table test. This is because the speed recall of multiplication and division facts is of great value to many areas of maths. Therefore, we expect the children to complete daily times tables practice. Your child has a login for TimesTables Rockstars. 10 minutes of daily practice on this will help to improve the speed and accuracy of their recall. I am encouraging children to do a 'soundcheck' on TT Rockstars from time to time as this will also help prepare for the test.

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## **Spelling**

Please ensure children are learning their spelling words each week which can be found on Google Classroom as well as in their Homework books.

*New Spellings set on Friday*

*Spelling homework due by Wednesday*

*Spelling Tests on Thursday*

## **English and Maths homework**

Children will have either a piece of English or Maths homework set on a weekly basis. This homework will be set via Google Classroom or handed out.

*New homework set on Friday*

*Homework due in by Wednesday*

Best Wishes,

Mrs Fitzgibbon and Mrs Grindley

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