



NANSTALLON SCHOOL

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Friday 13th September 2019

Universe Class Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly, I want to begin by saying a huge thank you to all parents and children for making me feel so very welcome at Nanstallon School. I feel very privileged to be part of this lovely school. Our class is a mixed year group (years 3 and 4), and before the summer holidays the children chose our class name – 'The Universe Class'. We also have a class TA every morning - Mrs Lawrey – who is invaluable and a great asset to our class.

In Universe Class we are encouraging everyone to be independent learners. We have a 'C.O.O.L' challenge wall (Choose Our Own Learning) with various tasks that the children need to complete and/or work on throughout each week.

Currently the children are working on their own projects, but from Monday 23rd September we will begin our class topic 'World War 1 and 2', which was chosen by the class before the summer holidays. To begin this topic, Universe class are going on a school trip to Cornwall's Regimental Museum on Thursday 26th September. This is going to be a very exciting day. We will have a tour of the Keep and Barracks and learn about trench warfare. We will also look at various war time artefacts and make a medal to bring back to school. Please refer to the attached sheet for payment details for this trip. There are currently two spaces for any parents who would like to come along and help on this day - please see Mrs Winch if you are interested. The children will be expected to wear their school uniform on this day and sensible walking shoes, as we will be outside for part of the day. Your child must also bring a coat and packed lunch (please see attached letter).

Universe class are looking for any parent helpers who can spare an hour or two to help us dig the garden area outside our classroom. We would like to clear some of the 'plants' to create space for spring time bulbs. We do not envisage spending hours on tidying this area as there are future plans to create a better outdoor classroom space for us – but in the meantime, it would be lovely if we could have a space that looks tidy and inviting to use by the children. Please see Mrs Winch or Mrs Lawrey if you are able to help in any way. Thank you.

We would also welcome any parents who are able to help hear readers in school. If this is something you are interested in then please do speak to myself, or Mrs Lawrey, and let us know when you are available to help.

It is an expectation that all children at school will read every day at home. The children will have brought home their new reading diaries today – please encourage your child to complete them when they have read at home. There is a section, every week, for you to add a comment as well.

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Every week your child will bring home the spelling rule that they are working on. There will not be a set list of words to learn but it is expected that the rule be learned and the spelling activities completed at home.

I will soon be sending out a homework menu, full of activities and tasks that link to our topic. Children will be asked to complete a task a week (more if they like) ready to bring in to share.

Please can I remind you that your child must have a coat with them every day. We will be doing PE every Tuesday, but your child needs to have their PE kit in school every day in case we do extra PE sessions during the week.

Your child will already have had their first swimming lesson. This will continue every Wednesday afternoon.

I hope you all know by now that I am always available for a chat before or after school, but after school is usually best. Please feel free to discuss any concerns/questions you may have about your child, no matter how minor they may seem.

I look forward to an exciting year ahead working with you to ensure that together we deliver the best education possible for your child.

eKindest Regards

Mrs Myra Winch