

February 2016

Welcome!!

It seems incredible that we are now over half way through the academic year! The children will soon be sitting their SATs. There will be lots of exciting opportunities to boost their learning to make further progress throughout this Half Term.

Staff:

Teachers: Mrs. Fawcett, Mr. Walton & Mrs. Hodgson

Learning Support: Miss Foster & Miss Smith

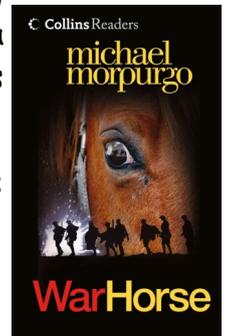
If you have any questions or concerns regarding your child please do not hesitate to speak to us.

Reading and Spelling Homework

We are really pleased to see that so many children in Year 6 love reading. To support their learning, please make sure your child completes their spelling homework and brings their spelling sheet into school everyday with their reading book and reading record. Reading and practicing spellings at home at least three times a week is vital to develop their understanding and literacy. Signing your child's reading record is also a great way for us to see when this is taking place.



Our class novel for this half term:



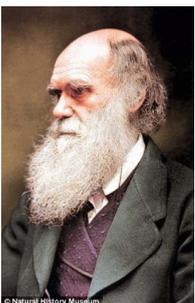
Attendance and Punctuality

It is important that your child is in school everyday and on time. The academy doors open at 8.40am to allow pupils to start their mental maths work. Lessons begin at 8.45am and every minute of their learning time is important.

PE - Friday

Please make sure your child has an appropriate PE kit. This includes a change of footwear, top and shorts. Now that it is getting colder, children need tracksuit bottoms, a white or red T shirt and a jumper or tracksuit top.

Darwin's Delights: We are Biologists...



The Year 6 topic for this half term is Darwin's Delights: we are Biologists... The children will be learning about the famous naturalist, Charles Darwin. During the preview lesson to discuss the topic, children knew little about this important person. The children will be using their comprehension skills to learn about his life and voyage around the world. The children will use their scientific skills to understand how the theory of evolution explained how humans, animals and plants have adapted to survive in their own environments. Later on in the topic, children will become historians and archaeologists, looking at fossils and what they teach us.

