



ASH CLASS SUMMER TERM CURRICULUM NEWS

I hope you all had a relaxing and enjoyable Easter break. It is lovely to see you all back safe and well after the holiday.

For the next few weeks we will continue to develop our skills through our Journey's theme with our topic based around '**Extreme Localities**' focusing on Wales and Canada. This topic will have a strong geography and science focus but will also allow for opportunities to explore all other areas of the curriculum.

During this time, you will be asked to complete a two-week homework project researching an area of your choice in Canada. This could be Collingwood in Ontario where our pen pal school is or another area of interest e.g. Niagara Falls. From your research, you will need to prepare a short talk to present to the class. This talk will form part of your oracy assessment. Further details regarding this homework will follow in the coming weeks.

For the rest of the Summer term we will then focus on the schools **50th Birthday** and, with our termly theme being Competition, the **Summer Olympics**. We will kick off our birthday celebrations with a party day on 13th May (our actual 50th birthday) and will then complete work around the 1980's. During the course of this work we will be investigating what life was like in the 80's considering things like, cost of living (e.g. cost of a loaf of bread), fashion, toys, music, technology etc and then comparing and contrasting our findings with life now. Our celebrations will culminate in a 50th Festival Day on 1st July.

If you have any items/artefacts/photos from the 1980's that you would be willing to share with us to help us with our investigations we would be very grateful. Please send them into school with a name label on them and we will ensure they come back to you.

Work on the Olympics will focus on the Olympic values, sports, sports people and the geography of the Olympics (the different countries, flags etc).

ROUTINES

Bags – As with the Autumn and Spring terms, there is no need for bags to be brought into school. Only a reusable water bottle will be needed on a daily basis and a lunchbox, snack, coat and sunhat as required. **To save teaching time looking for lost items, please can you name all items brought into school in permanent pen.** Thank you.

Water Bottles – We will continue with our routine of water bottles being brought from home on a daily basis. Please can the bottles be re-useable and be named clearly in a permanent pen. **WATER only please.**

Sun cream and hats – please keep an eye on the weather forecast and put sun cream on your child before school and ensure they bring a named hat into school if required. *It gets very hot on the school field during the Summer term so children do need to be protected from the sun or they will be asked to sit in the shade.*

P.E – P.E will continue to be taught on a **Friday**. A school P.E kit (including trainers) will therefore need to be worn to school on a Friday.

Homework - Homework will continue to be sent home in homework books on a **Thursday**. This will need to be **completed and returned by the following Wednesday**. If your child is unable to complete their

homework at home there is opportunity for them to complete their work in homework club on a Wednesday lunchtime.

HOMEWORK

Please remember that all homework needs to be presented neatly **in pencil** (as I would expect to see it presented in school), completed to the best of your child's ability and handed in online on time please.

In addition to weekly homework, please encourage your child to practise their **reading, spelling** and **times tables** on a **daily basis**. You will find links to useful websites on our class page of the school website.

Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs. Andrew