Pathfinder
Multi Academy Trust

Year 3 and 4
Welcome Presentation
2023-24

We want Acomb Primary School to be a place where everyone aims high and achieves well. We value and celebrate all successes and support children to develop strength of character and to understand the role they play in their community, their country and the wider world.

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Archbishop Holgate's School
A Church of England Academy Founded 1546

Badger Hill
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Clifton with Rawcliffe

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Primary School

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St Lawrence's
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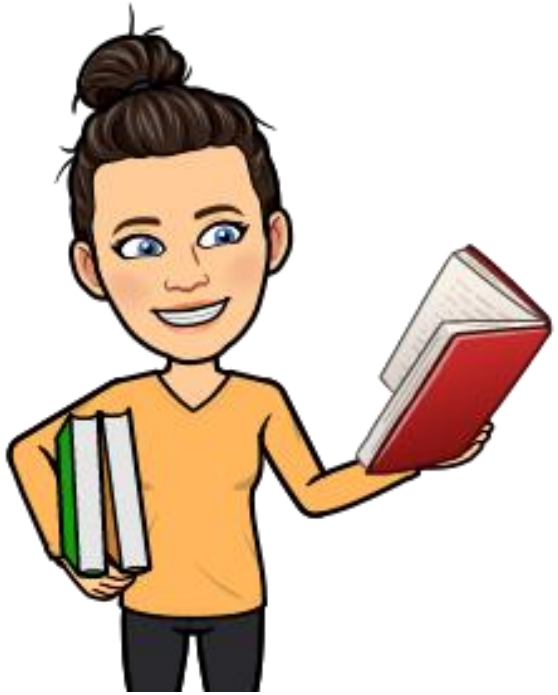
Primary School

Setting the course

Leading the way

Serving and inspiring

Year 3 and 4 Teaching Team 2023/24



Mrs Costa-Alves Y3

Mr Dennis Y3/4
LKS2 Phase Leader

Miss Sarson Y4

General Information

- PE days for all classes are Monday and Friday (PE kit should be in school every day)
- Please label everything with your child's name
- All long hair must be tied back for PE
- All earrings must be removed or tape provided to cover earrings.
- An outdoor PE kit is very important (warm and appropriate shoes); we will be outside even if it is very cold.
- Reading book and planner is needed everyday – please sign the planner each time that you hear your child read or share a book AND for every Friday.
- Note, other adults may occasionally teach in our classes – this is for subject release time or for management time.

- HOMEWORK: Reading, weekly spelling lists and learning multiplication tables.

Please record any and all reading completed in the planner – this can be their home reader or any other reading done.

Literacy

Daily lessons

We will be writing for different purposes and in different genres.

Additional, short spelling and grammar sessions will be taught throughout the week.

AUTUMN 1	AUTUMN 2
Instructions *recipes & giving directions* (2) **Take one book** (1) *Escape from Pompeii* **Pompeii Animation** (1) (extra unit) **Recounts** (2) *Link to Romans* **Poetry – vocabulary building** (1) *The Magic Box*	**Traditional tales** (2) *Fables* **Explanations** (2) *Wacky mousetraps & wake up machines* **Writing and performing a play** (2) *Pantomime* **Poetry – structure** Limericks (1)

Guided Reading

At least once a week in school with a teacher or teaching assistant.

Reading comprehensions are completed regularly.

A class book is read each term and questions may be linked to this.

Please listen to your child read as often as possible and record in their planner. Classes may have reward systems for this.

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Y3/4 spellings

We will focus upon x 5 spellings a week from the statutory spelling list.
It is the government's expectation that children will be able to read and spell all these words by the end of Y4.
We also look at specific spelling patterns each week, which will also be sent home in the spelling lists.
Lists will be stuck in planners on Mondays and children will be tested on Fridays.

Year 3 and 4 Statutory Spellings

accident	caught	eighth	heard	minute	possible	strange
accidentally	centre	enough	heart	natural	potatoes	strength
actual	century	exercise	height	naughty	pressure	suppose
actually	certain	experience	history	notice	probably	surprise
address	circle	experiment	imagine	occasion	promise	therefore
answer	complete	extreme	increase	occasionally	purpose	though
appear	consider	famous	important	often	quarter	although
arrive	continue	favourite	interest	opposite	question	thought
believe	decide	February	island	ordinary	recent	through
bicycle	describe	forward	knowledge	particular	regular	various
breath	different	forwards	learn	peculiar	reign	weight
breathe	difficult	fruit	length	perhaps	remember	woman
build	disappear	grammar	library	popular	sentence	women
busy	early	group	material	position	separate	
business	earth	guard	medicine	possess	special	
calendar	eight	guide	mention	possession	straight	

Maths

- Daily lessons – Monday to Friday
- Mental arithmetic incorporated daily – UFOs
- Three multiplication focused sessions each week (10 minutes each)
- Our lessons will involve developing children's fluency skills, reasoning and problem solving.
- All lessons differentiated with no ceiling. All children are encouraged to apply their understanding in different ways and to reach their year group expectations.
- Maths station available with concrete apparatus to encourage independence during lessons.
- Independence is promoted.
- The class will have access to Times Table Rock Stars and are encouraged to use this at home also.

Multiplication

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Year 3	x4	x8	x3	x6	x12	Revise Y3
Year 4	x9	x7	x11	Revise all tables		

Y4: Statutory Y4 Multiplication Tables Check

- 25 questions with 6 seconds to answer each question
- Accuracy rather than speed

Times Table Rockstars directly mirrors and supports the format of the multiplication check.

Note: the MTC is about accuracy, not speed.

Google: URBrainy.com for a practise MTC check

Word of the Week – Character Education

Each week our Monday assembly will focus on a word of the week. We will have this word displayed in our classroom and all staff will be looking for children showing elements of this word in their daily routine.

On a Friday assembly, two children will be given certificates based upon the word of the week.

Word of the week: **Kindness**

To do good and bring happiness to others.

Other assemblies

- Children will have a singing assembly on Wednesday afternoon led by Sing Education. This company is also teaching music as part of the school's PPA provision for this academic year.
- Key Stage 2 assembly. These are held on a Thursday morning and Key Stage 2 teachers take it in turns to organise these. These will focus again on the word of the week, alongside other general themes and messages.
- YoYo occasionally come in and complete assemblies and workshops with the children.

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Y3/4 - 2023/24
History Topics

Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
The Romans	**Anglo-Saxons** **Vikings**	**York**

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Science Topics

Autumn Term

Rocks

Electricity

Spring Term

Forces and Magnets

Summer Term

Living things and their habitats

Plants

Friends of Acomb Primary (FOAP)

Friends of Acomb Primary are a group of parents who want to help the school through fundraising and other support, to provide some new resources for school.

Each year they subsidise a number of school events – Residentials, Young Voices, Christmas Parties for Reception and KS1 children and much more.

If you can help out in anyway, it would be hugely appreciated.

With most members of the committee due to leave in Summer 2024, they are in desperate need of support and new committee members.

If you are interested in finding out how to get involved, please come along or email us friendsofap15@gmail.com to let us know that you would like to be involved.

@FoapAcomb

Thank You! Mr Dennis, Miss Sarson and Mrs Costa-Alves