



Great Gorillas Newsletter

W/c 1st September 2025

Welcome back!

This half term our topic will be based around different habitats; we will be looking at animals that live in different areas of the world and the reasons why they live there. We will also be studying the life of a Mexican family and comparing their life and surroundings with our own.

In English our focus will be based on the picture book *Gorilla* written by Anthony Browne. We will carry out various activities based on this book, using the pictures as stimulus for our work. We will script a conversation between Hannah and her father, describe what a character is thinking at different parts of the story and compare ourselves to an animal because of its characteristics like A. Browne compares his father to a gorilla.

In Maths we will be starting our work based on place value.

In P.E. we will be starting our multi-skills -throwing and catching work and gymnastics work. Please remember to send your child in a PE kit on Tuesday and Wednesday.

In Science we will be learning to compare things that are living and non-living.

In Art we will be learning about an artist called Alice Fox who uses natural resources to create her art work.

In Geography we will be learning about the 7 continents of the world.

In Computing we will start our topic Route Explorers.

Notes

My Maths homework is set from 05.09.25 - 19.09.25. The homework is based on Place Value to 30. The password to access this homework will be on the front of your child's homework folder. Passwords will also be provided for access to Purple Mash and TTRockstars.

Homework folders containing the reading comprehension will be sent home on Thursday to be returned on Monday morning.

Your child's weekly spellings will be on the reverse of the homework folder. They will also be accessible on the school website. Please practise these with your child in preparation for a weekly test on Wednesday. There will be no spellings during the first week. The first spelling test will be on Wednesday of week 2. There will also be a weekly times table test on Friday. The multiplication table to practise each week is written on this newsletter. Please make sure that your child goes on TTRockstars weekly. New reading books will be sent home on Fridays.

The times table test will be based on the 10x table.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact either of us.

Many thanks

Mrs S. Chadburn, Miss C. Bennison & Mrs S. Pitwell

"Guide me in your truth and
teach me, for you are God my
Saviour and my hope is in you
all day long." Psalm 25 v5



Our vision is to:

- Love our learning.
- Know that God is with us, loves us and has a plan for us.
- Make the world a better place.