

### Spelling

This term, the children will focus on spelling patterns and investigate spelling rules. They will generally have a test of the spellings they have learnt during the school week. They will have a list of spelling to focus on at home each week.

Please continue to help your child to select four words to learn by heart each week, taken from the Common Exception Word list in the back of their red planner. We are learning 34 of these words this term.

### Maths Practice

The Government expectations are that children should know their times tables to 12 with rapid recall, by the end of Year 4. This is so they are prepared for the rapid recall needed for multiplication and division facts in maths lessons.

When learning times tables it is important for there to be regular practise that is as fun as possible.

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button> is a really good website that enables children to practise times tables as well as variety of other vital Maths skills.

### Maths websites

[www.topmarks.co.uk](http://www.topmarks.co.uk)      [www.coolmathsgames.com](http://www.coolmathsgames.com)

[www.crickweb.co.uk/ks2numeracy.html](http://www.crickweb.co.uk/ks2numeracy.html)

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>

<http://mathsframe.co.uk/>

### Homework

Maths homework will go home on a Friday and is due the following Friday.

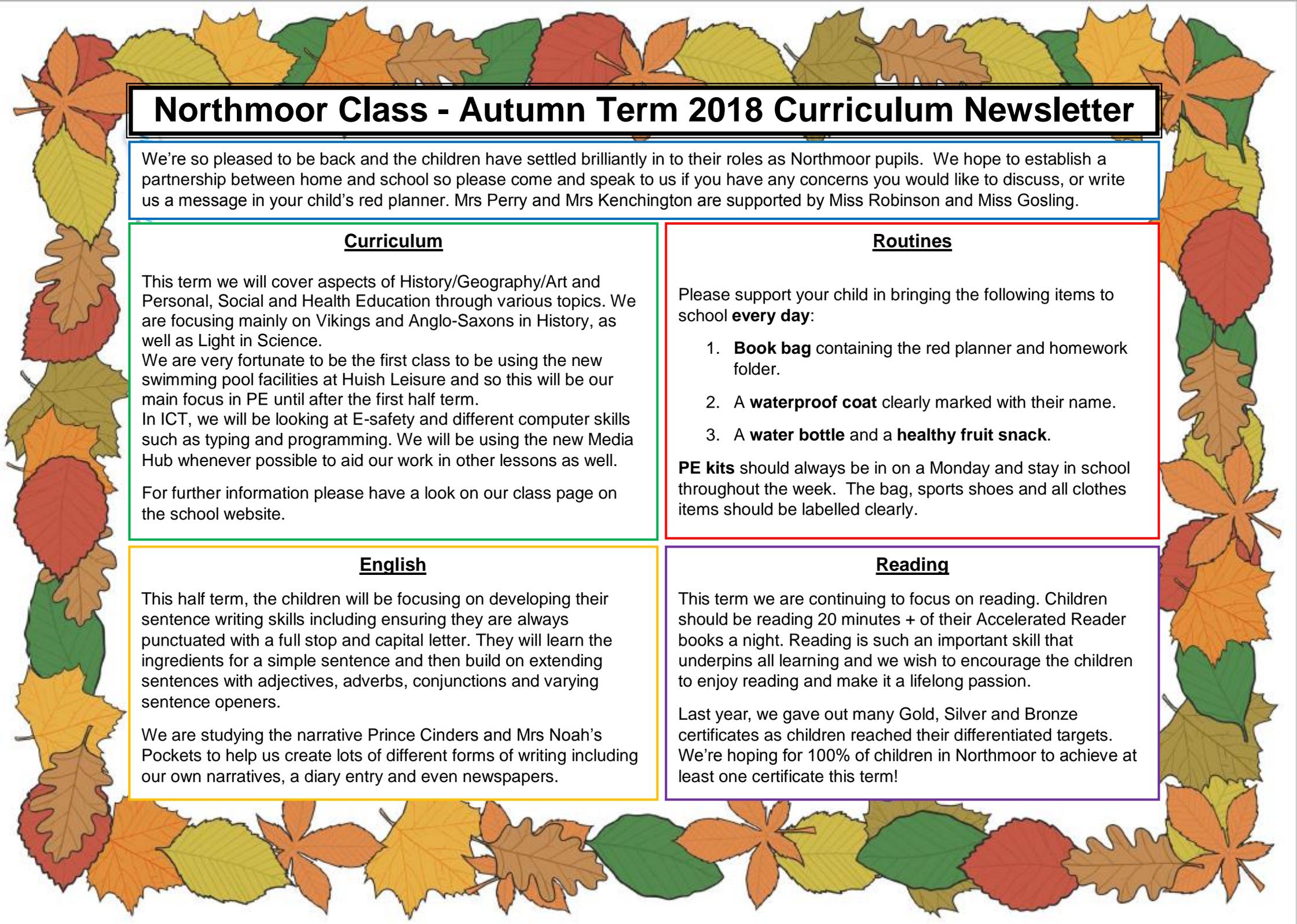
Children will be set a task on MyMaths as well as completing small tasks within their new Maths homework booklets.

If there are extenuating circumstances and a child cannot do his/her homework for any reason, please pop us a note in the red planner or see us in the playground before school.

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### Maths

In Maths, the children will recap their knowledge of place value with numbers up to 1000. The children will understand how to read a number in numerals and words, and what each digit represents. They will become confident at partitioning a number and identifying the value of a digit; children will show their understanding through representing numbers visually and with apparatus. This will then enable them to order numbers and estimate amounts. Through solid understanding of place value, the children will add and subtract, ones, tens and hundreds from any given number, using mental methods and move on to formal written methods towards the end of the term. Whilst becoming confident with formal methods and mental methods of



# Northmoor Class - Autumn Term 2018 Curriculum Newsletter

We're so pleased to be back and the children have settled brilliantly in to their roles as Northmoor pupils. We hope to establish a partnership between home and school so please come and speak to us if you have any concerns you would like to discuss, or write us a message in your child's red planner. Mrs Perry and Mrs Kenchington are supported by Miss Robinson and Miss Gosling.

## Curriculum

This term we will cover aspects of History/Geography/Art and Personal, Social and Health Education through various topics. We are focusing mainly on Vikings and Anglo-Saxons in History, as well as Light in Science.

We are very fortunate to be the first class to be using the new swimming pool facilities at Huish Leisure and so this will be our main focus in PE until after the first half term.

In ICT, we will be looking at E-safety and different computer skills such as typing and programming. We will be using the new Media Hub whenever possible to aid our work in other lessons as well.

For further information please have a look on our class page on the school website.

## Routines

Please support your child in bringing the following items to school **every day**:

1. **Book bag** containing the red planner and homework folder.
2. A **waterproof coat** clearly marked with their name.
3. A **water bottle** and a **healthy fruit snack**.

**PE kits** should always be in on a Monday and stay in school throughout the week. The bag, sports shoes and all clothes items should be labelled clearly.

## English

This half term, the children will be focusing on developing their sentence writing skills including ensuring they are always punctuated with a full stop and capital letter. They will learn the ingredients for a simple sentence and then build on extending sentences with adjectives, adverbs, conjunctions and varying sentence openers.

We are studying the narrative Prince Cinders and Mrs Noah's Pockets to help us create lots of different forms of writing including our own narratives, a diary entry and even newspapers.

## Reading

This term we are continuing to focus on reading. Children should be reading 20 minutes + of their Accelerated Reader books a night. Reading is such an important skill that underpins all learning and we wish to encourage the children to enjoy reading and make it a lifelong passion.

Last year, we gave out many Gold, Silver and Bronze certificates as children reached their differentiated targets. We're hoping for 100% of children in Northmoor to achieve at least one certificate this term!