



Talavera Junior School

Pangolins

Spring 2 – Magic and Mythical Creatures



Welcome back! We are halfway through the year and have seen so much progress since September, especially in communication.

This half term, we will be exploring magical and mythical creatures, starting with the well-known Zog and the Flying Doctors, Dragon Post, and The Wild Robot on the Island.

A reminder that some of the children join their mainstream year groups for PE on different days, so please ensure that your child's PE kit is in school all week.

We are still taking weekly trips out on Fridays around Aldershot to build up our social skills.

If you have any questions or just need to let us know how your children have been, please don't hesitate to speak to us at the classroom door.

KEY DATES

Thursday 26th February: Pangolin Toast tuck shop at break

Thursday 5th March: World Book Day (Dress-up as a word)

Thursday 19th March: Talavera Treat (selected children)

Tuesday 24th March: Annual reports to parents

Thursday 26th March: Non-uniform day and ice pop sale

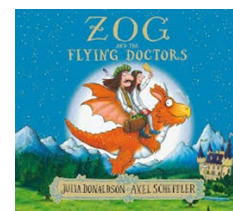
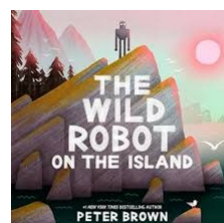
Friday 27th March: INSET DAY

Reading:



In Pangolins, we do not send home specific reading books other than the books your child has selected from the school library. We do, however, ask that you encourage and engage with reading at home with your child as often as possible whether this be at night time before they go to bed, when reading a recipe in the kitchen or even reading the bus timetable when you are off on an adventure. This year, we have a whole school focus on oracy and encouraging your child to share what they are reading. Please remember: children are free to borrow books from our in-school library or using the SORA app run by Hampshire library service that the school has paid the subscription for. On this platform, children can borrow a range of books including comics and audio books.

It is free to sign up to Aldershot library where children can borrow additional books. Here are some books which are linked to our learning this half-term which your child may enjoy; many of these are available on SORA. In order to take books out from our school library regularly, it is important that your child remembers to bring back their book to either swap or renew it.



Online Safety



Google Family Link Guide Controls & settings guide

https://www.internetmatters.org/?generate_pdf=1&page=google-family-link&post_id=5653



As a school, we understand the challenges facing parents in regards to ensuring your child remains safe online.

The most important way of safeguarding your child online is through open and honest dialogue with your child regarding their internet usage.

In addition to this, family link provide a free platform for parents to manage app access, set parental controls and oversee their children screen time and online usage. Use the link or QR code to develop your understanding of how it works and how to set it up.

UNIFORM

At Talavera, we continue to have high expectations for school uniform. Please ensure your child is following the correct dress code in line with our uniform policy.

Please see below some key reminders:

- Children are only permitted to wear one pair of earrings **which must be studs**. These **must be removed or covered with tape provided on PE days**.
- Children should be wearing black school trousers/ skirt/ dress daily. **Leggings and jogging bottoms are not permitted**.
- Children should wear a white polo shirt which is different from their PE top.
- Nail polish and temporary tattoos must be removed before coming to school.
- Hair which is shoulder length or longer must be tied up.
- A red cardigan or jumper should be worn in school. **Hoodies are not part of the uniform policy**.
- Your child needs to wear plain, black shoes (not trainers).



Also, a reminder that as a school we do offer access to second-hand uniform. This is available throughout the year on request at the office.

This has been such a valuable resource for many families. However, to keep it a success we need donations. Donations of unneeded or outgrown uniform can be brought into the office or given to Miss Coombs at any point in the year. Please also remember if you are experiencing any difficulties with uniform including providing adequate coats and/or shoes that you speak to your child's class teacher or a member of office staff. We will always do what we can to help.

NANA

NANA is the Nepalese Additional Needs Awareness (NANA) charity. Their aim is to remove cultural and language barriers that obstruct education and support of children with additional needs within the Nepali community in Rushmore and surrounding areas. They aim to do this through raising awareness, engaging with schools, providing information and training opportunities.

The charity provides support for families and children who have Autism and Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD).

If you would like to contact the charity, please use the email provided nana.org2023@gmail.com They can also be found on Facebook. As a community, it is important to come together and support our children and families.

