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Rousham Class : Autumn Term 2021 2022

Dear Parents & Carers

Welcome to the new academic year in Rousham Class! I hope you all had a lovely summer despite the weather. I am excited for the year ahead and have everything crossed that it will be a less disrupted year than last.

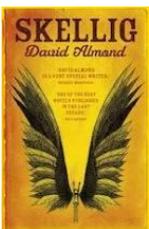
This term's topic is 'Going the Extra Nile'. We will learn about Ancient Egypt, we will investigate the men and women who studied the kingdoms of Egypt and explore their discoveries, look at some of the Pharaohs and the development of the pyramids, as well as the mythology that permeated Ancient Egypt and examine the role the Nile had in allowing this civilisation to flourish and examine daily life, comparing it to our own. As artists and designers we shall be making observational drawings of artefacts, making a double crown, making a 3D model of a rock-cut tomb and creating an Ancient Egyptian board game. In science we learn about light and electricity, we are looking forward to the Science Oxford trip later this month. In music we will learn about pulse and metre and in computing our topics are online safety and spreadsheets.

Our themes for PSHE are:

- TEAM (Together Everyone Achieves More)- collaboration, compromise, kindness, responsibility and team work.
- Diverse Britain- laws, government and making positive contributions to society.

We will also focus (as we will every term) on our wellbeing and happiness, we will begin by learning about how our brain works and how we might feel when in our comfort zone and our stretch zones and how we can turn some of those negative feelings into positives.

In English we start the term learning about stories about outsiders using the texts Eric (Shaun Tan) and The Island (Armin Greder). We will then learn about classic fiction, instructions and explanations and poetry. In Maths we shall be developing our understanding of place value, statistics, perimeter, area and volume. We will continue to make use of acquired skills and knowledge to solve a variety of mathematical problems and puzzles. As always, there's a lot to fit in this term!



Our class novel is Skellig by David Almond. The children are welcome to bring in any personal copies.

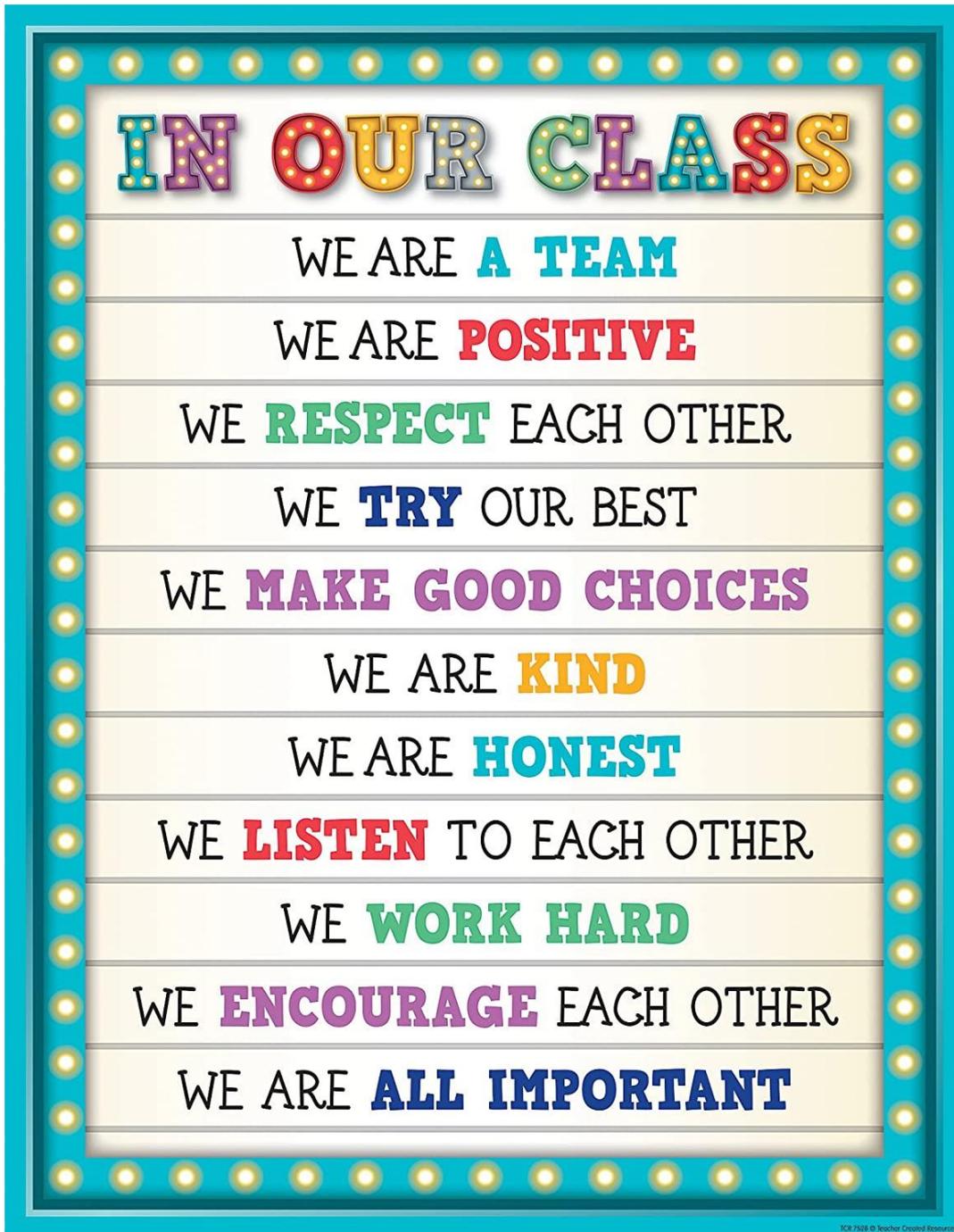
Homework

It is an expectation that children are read with regularly at home (both reading themselves and being read to). Please record reading in children's reading diaries, if children record at least four reads a week at home they will receive a star for their star charts. Children should bring their diaries into school on Fridays for me to check and sign.

Maths homework will be set on Google Classroom each Friday and should be handed in online, children should also use TTRS 4 times a week to work on their times tables. Log ins for TTRS and Deepening Understanding are in reading diaries.

Class Rules

We want our class to be a fair and happy place, we have agreed the following:



PE will continue to be on Mondays and Wednesday, swimming this term on Tuesdays and Forest School on Fridays (details are in the Forest School letter).

Please ensure that children bring in a freshly filled, labelled water bottle to school every day. We have drinking water in the class so children can refill their bottles during the day.

Please do get in touch if you have any questions or queries. Let's hope for a 'normal' term!

Kind regards

Mrs Barnett
Rousham Class Teacher