

Spring 2 - 2025/2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! We hope you all had a wonderful and restful break. We are so excited to welcome the class back for a brand-new term of learning and adventure.

This term, our exciting topic is 'Exploring Scandinavia'. In **English**, we will begin by diving into the epic legend of Beowulf, using its dramatic settings and characters to inspire our own powerful descriptive writing.

In **Maths**, we will strengthen our skills through number operations, fractions and statistics, linking our learning to real-life data and problem-solving.

Our **Science** will be full of movement as we investigate Forces, exploring pushes, pulls and friction through fun, hands-on experiments.

In **Geography**, we will journey to Scandinavia, studying its stunning landscapes, unique way of life, and location. We will even bring a taste of our topic into the classroom by **cooking** some delicious Scandinavia-inspired delights in our cooking lessons.

We will also have **swimming** lessons on Monday mornings. Please can you ensure that the children have suitable kit to take with them, including a bag that they can carry their belongings to the pool with them.

The Matisse class team will be Mr Waldron, Mr Akram and Miss Maeder, with Mr Jeffries supporting both us and across the wider school.

This term we will be trialing Classdojo in Matisse class. ClassDojo is a communication platform that can help to keep families connected with classroom life. It allows teachers to share updates, photos, and important messages about learning and school events. It also helps us celebrate pupils' achievements and positive behaviours by awarding house points. Parents and carers can use ClassDojo to stay informed, message teachers when appropriate, and support their child's learning and development by keeping up to date with what is happening in school. Please keep an eye on your inbox for the email coming soon and feel free to feed back to us on it's effectiveness.

We cannot wait for another fantastic term of discovery and fun together!

Warm regards,

The Matisse Class Team

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