

Our value focus this term:

Aspiration and Respect

Theme:

Our theme this term is 'Exploration and travel'.

English:

This term we will be looking at the texts 'The Snail and the Whale' and 'Claude in the city'. The Snail and the Whale tells the tale of an adventurous snail travelling the world and Claude in the city is the story of a dog and his side-kick sock who venture into a big city! We will be focusing on writing short narratives and capital letters and full stops.

Phonics:

Phonics will be taught daily to support, reading, writing and spelling. We will be focusing on recapping phase 2 and 3 and introducing phase 4 and 5 sounds as well as reading and blending real and alien words in preparation for the phonics screenings.

Home learning ideas:

Encourage children to practice their phonics (phases 3-5) and look for different sounds in words. This will also be a great tool to help them practice spellings at home using the sounds they have learnt at home and in school.

Phonics games and previous phonics screening papers-

<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/>

<http://www.ictgames.com/literacy.html>

<https://www.sats-papers.co.uk/phonics-screening-test>

Key question:

Why do we explore different parts of the world?

Maths:

Place value (within 10)

Addition and subtraction (within 10)

Shape

Place value (within 20)

Home learning ideas:

<http://www.ictgames.com/resources.html>

<https://www.bbc.com/bitesize/subjects/zjxhfg8>

<https://ttrockstars.com/>

Art and Design Technology:

During Art and DT we will be diving into colour exploration and light and shadow and how this is used in different forms and genres.

Things to remember this term:

Homework

Homework will be set in due course via Class Dojos. Further updates to follow. Dojo points will be awarded every time homework is logged in diaries.

Reading :

Reading books being sent home will be changed every Monday and Thursday. Children will be awarded Dojo points for reading.

Science:

The children will be looking at Rocks and Minerals. We will be carrying out a number of exciting investigations and experiments.

Geography/History:

This term the children will be looking at Holiday and Travel during geography where they will be recapping previous knowledge of the oceans and continents alongside the UK. In history we will be looking at important people in time, focusing on Thomas Edison and his work on light.

Spiritual, Moral, Cultural Education (SMSC) & R.E:

We will be looking at Health and Well-being in PSHCE this term and will be supporting children in their transition back to school. In RE we are focusing on Christianity and will look at the creation story and celebrations.

PE:

PE lessons will take place on Monday and Tuesday. Children are to come in wearing their kits.

Computing:

We will be following the computing scheme Purple Mash again this year. The children will start with logging on and becoming familiar with a pc. They will then look at online safety and sorting and grouping.