

Parent Information: - Key Stage 1

Spring Term 2 2017

English

Phonics and Spelling

We will continue to build on the phonic skills that we have and learn new sounds. We will learn about common spelling patterns and use them in our independent writing.

Writing

We will be writing longer pieces of work using all the skills we have been learning throughout the year. Our writing will link to our class books, which will include a range of fiction and non-fiction texts.

Handwriting

We will continue to develop our handwriting. We use a continuous cursive script and all the children are learning to join their letters together. Please see the 'Learning Opportunities' section of the website for more information.

Science

Scientists and Inventors

We will learn about famous scientists such as Elizabeth Anderson, Louis Pasteur and Rachel Carson. We will carry out simple tests and investigations and collect data.

PE

This term we will be working on team games. We will learn the rules for benchball and compete in small teams, putting into practice the skills we have been learning.



Mathematics

Year 1

Counting in multiples of 2, 5 and 10.

Multiplication and division including problem solving.

Recognising, finding and naming a half and a quarter of an object, shape or quantity.

Year 2

Recognise, find, name and write fractions $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{2}{4}$, and $\frac{3}{4}$ of a length, shape, set of objects or quantity.

Write simple fractions for example $\frac{1}{2}$ of $6 = 3$.

Recognise the equivalence of $\frac{2}{4}$ and $\frac{1}{2}$.

Creative Arts

We will be learning about the art of Andy Goldsworthy linking to our Forest School sessions.

In music, we will be learning about Reggae and Hip Hop through the songs 'Rhythm in the Way we Walk' and 'Banana Rap'.

Computing

Children will be using a computer paint program to reproduce the painting styles of some famous artists. Each week will focus on a different artist and style. At the end of the unit, the children will use the techniques they have learnt to create their own modern masterpieces.

Topic- Great Explorers

We will be learning about some of the Great Explorers such as Christopher Columbus and Neil Armstrong. We will discuss what makes a person significant and compare the historical periods that they lived in.

How you can help at home...

- Practising the spellings and Learn Its that are sent home weekly.
- Read EVERY day
- Talk about what has happened in stories or books of interest once you have read.
- Help to complete weekly homework activities.
- Use the www.teachyourmonstertoread.com website.
- Encourage your child to talk about what has happened at school.
- Practise telling the time.