

Year 2 Curriculum Newsletter Autumn 2

Dear parents and carers, please have a look over our curriculum for the coming half term...



Learning Together for Life

Articles of Half Term:

Article 19 – All children have the right to feel safe.

Article 29 – All children have the right to be treated with respect and taught how to respect others and the environment.

Article 15 – All children have a right to meet with friends.

Article 24 – All children have the right to nutritious food.



Writing: Our term begins with a unit of work based on a book by Jill Tomlinson called 'The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark'. We will be learning different styles of writing including poetry.



Phonics: This half term the children have moved into their new RWI phonics groups and are beginning to incorporate reading into their daily phonics lessons.



Maths: We will start the term by building upon our knowledge of place value and the number system. We will then learn to add and subtract 2-digit numbers and moving onto comparing numbers using the greater than, less than and equals to symbols. We will also spend time learning the properties of 2D and 3D shapes.



Science: Our topic this term is 'Materials', where we will be learning to identify and compare the suitability of a variety of everyday materials and understand how to select the right materials to build a bridge.



History/Geography: In History, we are learning about the Great Fire of London. We will learn about Samuel Pepys, the reason the GFOL destroyed so much of the City and why this has never happened again.



Music: This half-term, Bracken will be starting their Music lessons, learning about duration, using their bodies and percussion instruments to play long and short sounds, matching them to different types of weather. Ivy will be moving onto learning about texture (the layers of sound), choosing which instruments to play, when and how.



PSHE: This half-term we are learning about Health and Wellbeing - Keeping Safe. We will be learning how rules and restrictions help keep people safe around fire and water. We also learn how to identify risky and potentially unsafe situations around fires and water.



Computing: In this unit, we are learning to understand what an algorithm is and to create a computer program using an algorithm.



PE: In outdoor PE we will be learning the skills required to succeed in invasion games such as football and rugby. In indoor PE we are focussing on dance and how to respond to different rhythms with different types of dance.



RE: This half-term, we will be looking at what do candles mean to people.



Art & DT: We will be focusing on DT this half term and creating our own 3D Tudor houses inspired by the Great Fire of London. We will be going through the design process and comparing how the structures of houses have changed over time.



Forest Schools: This half term Fern class are exploring the animals and creatures that live in our forest.

If you have any questions at all please contact us or catch us at the end of the school day.

If you have any spare recycling please could you bring it in ready for our 3D houses. We would like small and large boxes e.g. cereal, shoe, tissue and cereal bar boxes. Please make sure your child comes to school with their reading books in their bags everyday because we would like to read with the children.