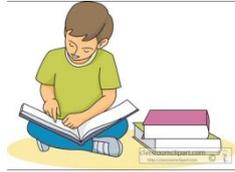


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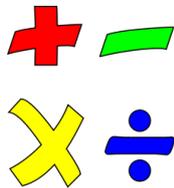
Welcome back to the beginning of our Summer term. This curriculum newsletter will give you an outline of what your child will be covering in class 2 throughout the Summer term. If you have any artefacts or resources that would help to enhance or support our curriculum then please come and let us know. If you or anyone you know could come in to talk to the children and share experiences and expertise then we would love to hear from you.



ENGLISH

This term in our English lessons the children will be exploring a wide variety of texts and using these to write detailed descriptions, non-fiction writing as well as story writing. Within our lessons the children will be developing their writing skills through exploring a range of grammatical features that are specific to that piece of writing using our sentence tool kit. We will also

continue with daily guided reading sessions and the children will be taught how to use their inference and deduction skills to ask and answer questions from the shared text. We are starting our term with the book 'The Tear Thief' and will then be focussing on using our writing skills to promote and help us create our class production.



MATHEMATICS

Our daily maths session will include twenty minutes of fluency, developing links with known facts. Our focus this term will be looking at numbers with decimal points and division. We will then link this learning to a wider context, looking at money and how decimals relate to money. The children will continue to learn and practice their times tables using the ladder challenge, so please keep practicing at home.

Throughout our lessons we will be expecting the children to demonstrate their understanding in a variety of ways. As well as problem solving the children will be developing their ability to draw and explain their reasoning about their answers and solutions.



SCIENCE

Our topic this term is 'Rocks'. We will explore the different types of rocks and how they have been formed; we will then discuss and decide how these types of rocks can be categorised. The children have developed some questions which they would like to investigate and gain an understanding of, so these will be explored throughout the lessons. We will also look into living things and

their habitats and make links to how rocks create habitats. We will also be visiting a beach in the second half of the summer term when we can explore the rock pools, and discover any of the living things in their natural environment we will also use this time to help look after our environment and promote wildlife with a beach clean.



TOPIC (HISTORY AND GEOGRAPHY)

Our topic learning this term is 'Anglo Saxons'. We will look at a variety of aspects about the Anglo Saxons including the invasions, the kings and their laws and values. This will link to our geography as we will begin to look at rivers and how Anglo Saxons relied on rivers. We will learn about volcanoes, why they exist and what they do. We will also look at different climate zones, earthquakes and the water cycle and what impact they have on our lives and how we can influence them.



ART/DT

The children continue to develop their sketching and drawing skills and will be designing and making their own volcanoes from resources such as papier mache. We will then link this to our science to see a chemical reaction by using menthos to create our own volcanic eruption. We will also begin to design and create props and backgrounds for our school play which the children chose the other day.



MUSIC

In music we will be looking how music has changed and developed over the years. The children will explore various musicians and how their music influenced others. We will also be learning new songs for our play and creating our own music for this.



PE

Our PE lessons take place every WEDNESDAY in school. Please could you ensure that your child comes to school with a FULL PE kit (plain white t shirt, navy shorts and trainers).



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

This term in R.E class one will be focussing on incarnation. The key question the children will be discussing and reflecting upon is 'What is the trinity?' The children will be looking at some of the symbolism from the stories in the Bible and will begin to discuss what it represents and why it is important to some Christians. We will look at what the Gospel is and how it tells the story and the life of Jesus. We will discuss how this is important to some Christians and make links to

baptisms. The children will then focus on how some Christians show their beliefs in God the trinity and how this influences how they lead their lives.



HOME LEARNING

Home learning will be sent home each FRIDAY and should be returned to school on TUESDAY. Your child will receive 5 spellings each week from the year 3/4 or 5/6 spelling list. They need to practice how to spell these words using the range of techniques we have used in class; they also need to put these words in sentences to show an understanding of their meaning. They will also have a maths activity to complete based on the learning we have covered in class that week. It is important that they bring their home learning into school on Tuesday to allow marking of home learning and preparation for next week's activities. Children are expected to read at home with their parents/carers daily. This will help and support them with ideas and techniques to include in their writing.



TRIP/ VISITORS

We will be planning a range of trips and visitors to come into school this term to enhance the development of our curriculum. We will inform you about these nearer the time.

If you have any questions or would like to speak to me about the curriculum, please do not hesitate to book an appointment with Hannah in the office.

Mrs Lee