

Year 1: Turtles

Term 1: Autumn



RESPECT

INDEPENDENCE

CONFIDENCE

CREATIVITY

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Turtles Class! We hope you all had a lovely summer and the children are ready to become Turtles. We are beginning the term with a structured morning and a more unstructured afternoon, similar to that of Honeybees, to allow the children time to settle into their new class. The children will be having phonics, English, Maths and guided reading lessons daily. As the term progresses, we will be introducing some geography, PSHE, music, art and D&T lessons in the afternoons.

The children's reading books are changed on a Monday and Thursday. We encourage the children to read their phonics book at home, as this will support their learning in class. They will also be bringing home a reading for pleasure book from the library, which will be changed on a Monday.

Our PE day is on a Thursday so please ensure your child is wearing the correct PE kit with plain black, unbranded shoes.



English: Writing

Our focus in writing is to begin to use full stops, capital letters and finger spaces independently. The children will have the opportunity to retell stories and write diary entries.

English: Reading

The children will begin their guided reading sessions called 'daily supported reading' (DSR) which ensures all the children read daily with an adult. The children will read in an adult led group. The adults will also ask them questions about the story to introduce comprehensive skills.

Maths

Our focus in Maths this term is place value and addition & subtraction within 10. The children will learn how to compare numbers, order numbers, write numbers as words, add and subtract. The children will have the opportunity to use a range of manipulatives to support their learning.

Science

We will not begin to teach Science this term.

Geography/History

This term our geography focus will be on seasonal change with the Autumn weather approaching. We will also look at Capel-le-Ferne and what features we can find.

Personal, Social and Health Education (PSHE)

Our PSHE topic is 'being me in my world'. This will focus on understanding my rights and responsibilities as a member of my class and recognising choices I make and their consequences.

Physical Education (PE)

PE lessons are led by a sports company who focus on physical development and teamwork.

Computing

This term we will focus on teaching the children how to log onto the computers, use the keyboard and mouse.

Art/Design and Technology

During our Art lessons, the children will be developing their mark making skills through observational drawings and experimenting with different resources.

Reminders:

From Week 2 the children will be bringing home 5 high frequency words to practise. We will test the children weekly on their words and will add new words once they can read them.

We will be starting show & tell from Week 2 and we encourage the children to bring in something they have either won (trophies, medals or certificates) or made at home.

Dates for your diary:

Harvest Festival 19th October

