

Year 1: Turtles

Term 2: Autumn



RESPECT

INDEPENDENCE

CONFIDENCE

CREATIVITY

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you have had a lovely half term and the children are ready for Term 2.

This term is an especially exciting one as we will be getting in the Christmas spirit by rehearsing for our nativity. 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. The children will continue to bring home a reading for pleasure book from the library. Please remember to bring in the weekly library book **on a Monday**.

Our PE day continues to be on a Thursday so please ensure your child is wearing the correct PE kit with plain black, unbranded shoes. **Please ensure that earrings are removed on a PE day.**



English: Writing

Our focus in writing is to continue to use full stops, capital letters and finger spaces independently. The children will have the opportunity to retell modern and traditional stories through role play and various forms of writing. They will also be writing persuasive letters linked to climate change.

English: Reading

The children will continue 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

The children will be identifying and naming 2D and 3D shapes as well as being able to create a repeating pattern. After this the children will be focussing on place value within 20. This includes ordering and comparing numbers, writing numbers as words and understanding the value of each digit.

Science

We will not be teach Science this term.

Geography/History

This term we will be observing seasonal change in our local environment and begin to identify the four countries within the United Kingdom.

Personal, Social and Health Education (PSHE)

Our PSHE topic is called 'Celebrating Difference'. We will be learning to except that everyone is different, to include others when working and playing, to know how to help if someone is being bullied, to try to solve problems, to use kind words and to know how to give and receive compliments.

Physical Education (PE)

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

Computing

This term we will continue to focus on teaching the children how to use the keyboard and mouse to use a programme efficiently.

Art/Design and Technology

This term we will be focussing on design and technology. Our topic is mechanisms, and we will be making a moving story book.

Reminders:

We will be sending out letters regarding Nativity costumes. Please speak to us if you have any questions. If you have any spare socks or plimsolls for ages 5-6, please can we have them for our class cupboard.

Dates for your diary:

Friday 1st December – Reports go home.

Tuesday 5th and Thursday 7th December – Parents evenings.

Thursday 7th December – Nativity performance at 09:15am.

Friday 8th December – Whole school trip to Leas Cliff Hall for panto.

Monday 11th December – Nativity performance at 13:30pm.

