

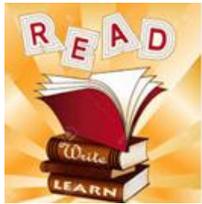
Class 2 Topic Letter

Autumn Term 1 2017



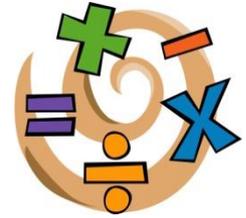
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In Literacy the children will be reading and writing poems and learning some by heart, narrative and chronological reports.



We will continue using reciprocal reading strategies to develop our reading comprehension skills through our guided reading, as well as increasing understanding of written grammar through writing analysis.

In Numeracy the children will be learning to use the four operations, measurement, statistics and geometry. They will also be developing their skills in mathematical fluency, reasoning and problem solving.



In History the children will be learning all about the Romans and their impact on Britain. We will also learn about Roman culture and beliefs, including early Christianity. We will visit Segedunum which will help the children to visualise what it was like to live in Roman times.



In Geography the children will learn about Italy, naming and locating the main hills, mountains, coasts and rivers. They will identify the position of equator, the tropics and the Greenwich Meridian. The children will also look at the human geography of Italy.



In French the children will continue their language learning through the happy language scheme 'La Jolie Ronde'.



In R.E the children will be learning about Christian lifestyles and Harvest Festival. This will include examining the importance of our own beliefs and practices, of how Christian teaching about God and Jesus affects Christian approaches to personal and social matters, and about saints and saintliness.



In Computing the children will learn about the importance of being respectful and responsible as a way to learn how to be good digital citizens. They will use the internet for research and select, use and combine software to present data and information.



In Art and Design the children will create a mosaic installation for the playground. They will also use their sketch books to record observations and techniques then use drawing, painting and printing to create images of Roman inspired frescos.



In Music Class 2 will be taking part in a whole class music ensemble project which runs for the whole year. To begin with the children will be playing the recorder. Mrs Nicklin will be delivering this along with an Arts Award project. Then, because it's Mrs Fortescue's favourite song the children will also be participating in activities related to the Abba song Mama-Mia.



Physical Education In P.E at Willowburn on Monday afternoons the children will be swimming. On a Wednesday the children will be participating in cricket lessons led by Tom Vickers. When returning from Willowburn they will be involved in outdoor activities. The Year 4 children are also going to be taking part in an exciting new opportunity - mountain bike activities.



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 <p>PSHE</p>	<p>In PSHE The children are learning about New Beginnings and Saying NO to Bullying.</p>	<p>In Design and Technology the children will be making Roman Bullas' and/or Wall Hangings inspired by the Romans. They will select from and use a wider range of materials and components, including textiles, according to their functional properties and aesthetic qualities, and use a wider range of tools and equipment to perform practical tasks, such as cutting, joining and finishing, accurately. In food technology the children will design and make pizzas.</p>
<p>In Global Citizenship and SRE class 2 will be learning about self-esteem and challenging gender stereotypes. Across the year they will be working on achieving the UNICEF Rights Respecting School Award and making links with a text being used in English they will learn about Black American slavery making links with Roman slavery.</p>		
<p>In Science the children will be learning about electricity this will include being able to identify common appliances that run on electricity. Constructing a simple series electrical circuit, identifying and naming its basic parts, including cells, wires, bulbs, switches and buzzers. Identify whether or not a lamp will light in a simple series circuit, based on whether or not the lamp is part of a complete loop with a battery. Recognise that a switch opens and closes a circuit and associate this with whether or not a lamp lights in a simple series circuit. Recognise some common conductors and insulators, and associate metals with being good conductors.</p>		
		

Welcome back. I hope you have all enjoyed your summer and are ready for the exciting and very busy year ahead. I am looking forward to hearing what you have all been up to.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind you that it would be really helpful if the children have a pair of Wellington boots in school as we will be using the outdoor environment most weeks. I do have a few spares in the cloakroom for emergencies but they may not fit.

Many Thanks

Mrs Fortescue

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