Class 2 Topic Letter Summer Term 1 2018



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In Literacy the children will be reading and writing about Myths and Legends, Kenning Poems and Instructions and Explanations. Wherever possible these will be linked with our topic, the Anglo Saxons. The children will also be focusing on spelling, grammar and punctuation as well as continuing with Accelerated Reader.	In number, the children will be learning about number and place value including decimals, addition and subtraction, multiplication and division and fractions. In measurement they will focus on - money, time including the 24 hr clock for year 4 pupils, length, mass, volume/capacity, and-perimeter and in geometry properties of shapes and position and direction.
In History the children will briefly complete their learning about the Romans before moving on to the Roman withdrawal from Britain, the fall of their Western Empire and then the invasion and settlement of Britain by the Anglo Saxons. They will look at Anglo Saxon place names and village life, Anglo Saxon Art and Culture as well as their laws and justice systems.	In Geography the children will be learning about some of the counties and cities of the United Kingdom and compare and contrast these with some cities in Germany. They will also name and locate other European countries and their flags. Linked with both Romans, Anglo Saxons and today the children will also look at types of settlements and land use, economic activity, including trade links and the distribution of natural resources.
In MFL the children will begin to learn Spanish. They will begin with simple greetings and numbers, colours and days and months of the year	In R.E the children will begin studying Christian communities.
In Computing the children will learn about the power of words in online messages and how these can make people feel angry, hurt, sad or even fearful. The children will identify actions that will make them upstanding citizens of the digital world in the face of cyberbullying. They will also continue with their programming and debugging skills.	In Art and Design the children will create sketch books to record their observations and use them to review and revisit ideas. They will create jewellery and other artefacts based on the Anglo Saxons such as belt buckles and illuminated scripts.
In Music class 2 are taking part in a whole class music ensemble project which runs for the whole year. They will continue with their Art Award project as part of this and begin to prepare for a day of music called Musical Roots at Alnwick Gardens later in the year. (More information about this to follow)	In P.E at Willowburn on Monday afternoons the children will be swimming. On a Thursday the children will be participating in rugby skills lessons led by 'Yogi' from Cramlington Rockets and also Forest School activities with Mrs Chisholm. (Please note the change of day for this - wellies and outdoor clothing may still be needed until the weather improves)

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In PSHE the children will be looking at 'Good to be me' during this topic they will consider themselves and their feelings in different situations, how to manage their feelings and how to be assertive and stand up for

themselves.



In Global Citizenship and SRE the children will be thinking about family differences, gender differences as well as continuing work for the UNICEF - Rights Respecting School Award In Design and Technology the children will be making Rainforest Cam Toys , Make a Bird Box or a fabric bird.

They will also be learning about the growing Seasons and make a 'Rainforest Fruit salad'. They will understand seasonality, and know where and how a variety of ingredients are grown, reared, caught and processed. Moving on from this they will also make a boat

linked to forces and pulleys in Science.



In Science the children will complete their learning about animals including humans. Following this they will look at forces and magnets. They will compare how objects move on different surfaces, observe that some forces need contact between two objects but magnetic forces can act at a distance. They will also investigate how magnets attract or repel each other and attract some materials but not others.

Things to remember: An old shirt to use as an art apron which is to be kept in school in a carrier bag on coat peg please.

Please can you also make sure that your child is continually practising and learning their times tables as they need to know all times tables up to 12 x 12 by the end of year 4. I will be testing the children weekly on this.

Many Thanks

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