

Orange Class

Curriculum Newsletter: Autumn Term 2 2023



<u>RE:</u>

During this half term, our RE focus is Incarnation. The children will be able to explain why Jesus is important to Christians and create a simple recount of Jesus' birth. We will also make clear links between our own lives and the stories in the Bible, thinking about what we have personally to be thankful for at Christmas.

<u>Maths:</u>

This half term, we will be starting with number and place value to count in 2's, 5's and 10's. We will continue to learn through a variety of strategies including practical apparatus, then moving onto pictorial and abstract methods. Throckstars can also be enjoyed at home, logins are located at the back of reading diaries.





English and Guided Reading:

In our English lessons, we will be using the text, 'Katie in London' by James Mayhew, creating a postcard about London and writing a diary entry before the final outcome of a Non-Chronological report. We will continue to use our guided reading and phonics scheme, Read Write Inc.

Spelling and Phonics:

As mentioned above, we will be practicing and learning new sounds daily through our Read Write Inc phonics scheme. The children will read words and spell new words with the focus sound. In addition to this, each half term a spelling overview will be sent home and spelling tests will be every Friday.





<u>Science:</u>

This half term, our science topic is called 'Celebrations'. The children will have the opportunity to work scientifically. We will start by exploring the properties of everyday materials, and then move onto describing the structure of plants.

Music:

Music lessons will taught by Mrs Whiteley this half term.



Computing:



In Computing this half term, the children will be learning about coding. We will start by looking at what a computer does to follow a 'code' and then progress onto giving simple instructions to make objects on the screen move.

Topic: History

Our subject for topic this half term will be History. In History, we will be learning about 'My Family History and Toys'. This topic will focus on identifying similarities and differences between ways of life in different periods of time. This includes comparing different toys, shops and school life.





Art: We will focus on drawing a self-portrait and a family portrait, looking at different colours and techniques to use different materials.

PSHE:

Throughout this half term, our topic is called 'Rights and Respect'. The children will be learning about how behaviour can affect other people and recognise how we can demonstrate responsibility by looking after something. PSHE learning will continue to follow our whole school scheme of work called SCARF, which is also incorporated within our school values.





<u>Spanish:</u>

Spanish lessons will be delivered by Mr Day and our focus will be on the names of different modes of transport.

<u>PE:</u>

This half term the children will be learning about yoga and gymnastics. We will be focusing on basic control and coordination before progressing onto describing the process of each movement.

General information:

PE days: Tuesday and Thursday, please come in full School PE kit.

Homework: A piece of English and Maths will be set each week on a Friday, this may be set using Education City. Homework needs to be completed and handed in by the following Wednesday.

Home reading: Reading Diaries will be collected in every day to see home reading. Under our school reading policy, we ask that the children read the book at least three times before changing it to enable full understanding and comprehension of the book.

If you have any questions, please come and chat to us or email me at:

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Many thanks for your continued support.

