



Aim high

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Welcome to our P5 termly newsletter.

Literacy

Shortly we will be starting our novel study where we will be completing different activities to help us understand, analyse and evaluate the text. As we will be reading together on a daily basis, not all reading groups will continue to read in class during this time. However we do, of course, encourage children to continue to read for enjoyment at home. We will also be using our novel study as the stimulus for our writing this term, which will be centred around personal writing.

Numeracy

In numeracy we will be looking at the areas of place value, addition, subtraction and multiplication, practising different mental and written strategies. Children should regularly be practising their tables at home, as well as in school. In maths we will be revising and developing our knowledge of money, using a range of strategies to calculate costs and change. Just in time to help with the Christmas shopping!

Learning on other areas of the curriculum

Our science topic this term will examine ecosystems, food chains and webs. In RME we will be learning more about Christian forms of worship and artefacts, while in art we will be looking carefully at the work and techniques used by several famous artists. We will then create work using their style. Keep an eye out in the entrance hall where our lovely work will be on display.

Health & Wellbeing

The children will be working with Mrs McKendrick on Tuesdays and Thursdays again this term, building their skills, stamina and fitness. Bikeability sessions will teach essential life skills for safe and responsible road use within the safety of our playground. Later on this term we will be learning more about the different food groups and the importance of a balanced diet in maintaining a healthy lifestyle.

Other Information

- Please ensure your child has indoor shoes which can be kept in school, spare socks and a *full* PE kit (shorts, an extra t-shirt, indoor trainers or gym shoes). All school clothes should be clearly named.
- Homework should be signed in jotters and reading records and homework jotters covered please.
- Please make sure your child brings their book bag (or a folder) to school every day with their reading book, reading record and a sharp pencil. A bottle of plain water is also recommended.

Thank you for your continuing support.