



CLASS 2JP

THE PURPOSE OF THIS NEWSLETTER IS TO INFORM YOU OF THE TOPICS THAT YOUR CHILDREN WILL BE STUDYING THIS HALF TERM...

ARE ALL COUNTRIES THE SAME?

Literacy

Our main areas of study will be:

- Traditional Tales from different cultures
- Fantasy Stories
- Diaries

During literacy your child will be focusing on grammar, punctuation and guided reading.

Science

In Science our main topic will be 'materials'. The children will compare and contrast the use of everyday materials which can be found around school with those in the home, outside etc. The children will also explore the use of materials in stories, rhymes and songs. The children will observe, identify and classify the uses of different materials. They will also record their observations.

Numeracy

Our main areas of study will be:

- Calculation
- Multiplication and Division
- Fractions
- Measurement
- Problem Solving

Your child will also be learning relevant number facts. I would appreciate any support you can provide with this at home. Please see the reverse side of this newsletter for the relevant number facts.

Geography

In Geography, we will use world maps and atlases to identify and explore the United Kingdom; we will also be exploring Canada, Italy and countries in West Africa. We will compare and contrast these countries to the United Kingdom in terms of the weather, language, culture etc.

ICT

During ICT we will also be using the internet to research information about different countries. The children will continue to develop their programming and debugging skills in a number of different scenarios. They will also continue to develop their understanding of E-Safety.

R.E.

In RE, the learning question will be 'Who is Jewish...and how do they live?' The children will be exploring how Jewish people celebrate special festivals like the Shabbat, and Chanuka. They will begin to understand the meaning of these festivals.

Art/DT

Our Art and DT will be linked to African stories and the famous Masquerade Balls of Venice. The children will design and create their own mask for the Masquerade ball.

Music

During music lessons the children will learn about the language of music through playing the glockenspiel. The learning will be focused around exploring and developing their musical skills to create and compose music on their own and with others.

PE

Lessons will be on Thursday afternoons. Children will need their PE kit of plain red shorts and plain white T Shirt. Trainers are also required on this day, as wherever possible, PE lessons will take place outside.

Home Reading

During the first term, class 2JP met the 'Must, Could and Challenge' on a number of occasions. Moving forward, I am challenging the class to continue in this positive direction. Please continue to read a few pages of your child's home reading book with them every night and sign the reading record after your child has read. You can also support your child's learning by asking questions about the book.

Homework/Spellings

Spellings will continue to be given out each Tuesday. A spelling test will take place the following Monday. Your continued support in preparing for the test is gratefully appreciated.

Homework will continue to be sent out each Friday; to be returned by the following Friday.