

Years 2 and 3 Autumn Term 2- CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

Science: Children will investigate and recognise that they need light in order to see things and that dark is the absence of light. We will then investigate the difference between light sources and light reflectors; thinking about how shadows are formed and how they can change.

English: The children will write leaflets, poetry, learn to email and read and write based on the genre of autobiography.

No Nonsense Spellings: Year 2 will continue to learn and practice strategies for spelling common exception words as well as learning homophones and suffixes. Year 3 will revise spelling common exception words, learn homophones and use different prefixes and suffixes.

Art: The children will use I-pads to take photographs and then be able to explain their creative vision from their choice. They will also copy and create patterns using a range of paints and textures.

P.E: The children will develop their gymnastics skills, learn how to travel, balance and jump correctly as well as perform forward rolls and use the wall bars.

Urban Pioneers

Maths:

During this term children will continue to learn methods for solving multiplication and division calculations. Further on in the term the children will reinforce and consolidate taught methods involving place value, addition and subtraction.

Year 2 should be encouraged to learn the calculations for the 2, 5 and 10 times table extending their learning with the 3 times table.

Year 3 should be extending their times tables with learning the 4, 6 and 8 times table.

Geography & History: The children will use mapping tools to view light patterns across the world. They will also find out about the urban characteristics of Berlin and design their own fantasy city centre.

R.E: During this term, the children will explore why Christians stand up to injustice, and how Christians make a difference in their local community. They will also learn about the religious festival of Christmas, and its meaning to Christians.

P.H.S.E & C: The children will take part in the Taking Care project during this term. They will also think and discuss situations that may cause a change in feelings and emotions. They will also explore how to keep safe in towns and cities.

Computing: During this term the children will identify and select appropriate information using search engines and website of enquiry.

Ways to support your child's learning:

Homework

English and Maths homework will be set weekly on a Wednesday to be completed by the following Monday.

The children will also have a list of spellings and times tables per week to continue to learn and practice.

Get Creative Project

Find out all about a city location – you may choose which city to base your project on and create your homework using methods of your choice. This could be a power point presentation; a booklet of photos; a cardboard creation of a city; making labelled diagrams of animals that habitat in a city; or you could even take your teacher on a 'virtual' tour of the city – to be handed in on Friday 14th December.

Your support is also requested to encourage your child to present their work well; ensuring that all letters are clearly formed.

Please keep up with daily reading and encourage your child to answer / predict and infer about the reading book.