

Class 1DB - Spring 1



Our topic this half term is "Are all countries the same?"

I hope you have had a lovely time over the Christmas holidays. The children have certainly returned to school keen to continue their learning journey. I hope that you and your child are enjoying the new challenges and approaches to learning that Year 1 has to offer.

Homework

Homework will be given out weekly, on a Friday, and should be returned by the following Wednesday.

Spellings:

Spellings will be given out each Tuesday. A spelling test will take place the following Monday. Your support in practising these spellings is gratefully appreciated.

Reading:

Reading books will be changed every Monday and Friday. You should encourage your child to read at home every day if possible, but certainly at least five times a week. Please ensure that your child's reading log is signed. We would like each child to put their reading book in the blue tray once the book has been read.

PE:

PE lessons will be on Tuesday and Thursday. Please make sure your child has full PE kit in school on these days. Please remember earrings should not be worn on PE days.

Literacy

Our main areas of study will be:

- * Story writing
- * Character / setting descriptions
- * Diary writing

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

Numeracy

Our main areas of study will be:

- * Addition and Subtraction
- * Place value
- * 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.

Science:

The theme for this term is 'Sound'. The children will listen to different sounds and investigate how different sounds travel.

RE: In RE we will be reading and discussing different stories from the Bible, such as Jonah and the Whale.

Music:

The children will be learning about how to make different sounds with their voices and follow short rhythmic patterns.

Art/ DT:

During our Art and DT lessons we will be designing and making our own masquerade masks. We will also be designing and then making our own pizzas, that we will eat during our Masquerade ball.

ICT: During ICT we will be continuing to learn about how to stay safe online.

The children will continue to log themselves on to the computers, using their own logins. They will also be using a range of different software e.g. word processing and art packages.

History/Geography:

As geographers we will be looking at countries around the world, focusing on Italy and Canada. We will be using geographical vocabulary to describe what we have learnt.

As historians we will investigate traditions of these countries, focusing on their similarities and differences.

And finally...

Please feel free to come into school, at the beginning or end of the day, to discuss any concerns with myself or Mrs Mathers.

