



Class 2JP-Spring 1

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

Welcome back after the Christmas holiday. I would like to take this opportunity to tell you about the topics your children will be studying during this half term.

Homework

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

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.

Reading

Last term Class 2JP achieved the 'Must, Could and Challenge' on a number of occasions. I would like to challenge the class to continue this positive achievement. Please continue to read a few pages of your child's home reading book every night and sign the reading record. You can also support your child's learning by asking a few questions about the book.

PE

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

History/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 Africa. We will compare and contrast these countries to the United Kingdom in terms of the weather, language, culture etc.

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.

RE

In RE the topic will be 'Believing'. The children will explore their understanding of belief through faith stories.

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.

Numeracy

Our main areas of study will be:
-Calculating
-Multiplication and Division
-Fractions
-Measuring
-Solving Problems

Your child will also be learning relevant number facts. I would appreciate any support you can provide with this at home.

Music

The children will learn about the language of music through playing the glockenspiel. The learning will be focused around exploring and developing playing skills.

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.

And finally...

Please feel free to come into school, before and after school, to discuss any concerns with myself or Mrs Smithson.

