



Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Happy New Year and welcome to Term 3 of this Academic year. Below is an overview for this forthcoming term.

English:

Traditional Stories, Myths and Legends: The children will study a variety of fables, myths and legends. They will decide what constitutes a myth, fable or legend and how they can use this information to make up their own. Including in this genre of writing, will be the study of Greek myths such as Persephone and Pandora's Box as well as more traditional tales and Just So stories. After immersing themselves in this style of writing, the children will be able to attempt their own myths and legends.

Useful website -

http://www.bbc.co.uk/learning/schoolradio/subjects/history/ancient_greek_myths

Mathematics:

The children will cover a wide range of topics including: Geometry – angles in a triangle and on a straight line; Statistics – interpreting and reading data from a range of different bars, charts and graphs and Number - solving multi-step word problems involving the four operations and fractions, decimals and percentages. They will also look at inverse operations as well as negative numbers and sequences. It is vital that your child knows their times tables for all of this work, please practise with them regularly.

Useful website - <https://www.mymaths.co.uk/>

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/maths/number/>

Science:

Micro-organisms: The children learn that there are many very small organisms called micro-organisms which feed, grow and reproduce and which may be harmful or beneficial. We will study some causes of illness and decay and relate micro-organisms to food production as well as relating science to their personal health.

Useful website - <http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/topics/zfxsbk/resources/1>

Place and Time:

The children will study Ancient Rome and in particular the lasting impression they left on Britain. We will study the life of a Roman soldier as well as that of gladiators, Emperors and everyday Romans and Celts. As well as this, we will study major events during this period such as Pompei and the invasion of Britain. They will study what the Romans introduced to Britain and how they have shaped our lives even today.

Useful website - <http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/topics/zqtf34j>

Physical and Emotional Health:

The children will focus on invasion games, in particular on the skills and tactics on different sports including the importance of possession. We will also do a little gymnasium work.

Arts and Creativity:

Art will be based around the culture of Japan. The children will study famous images from Japan as well as studying the culture of history of the country.

Ethics and Citizenship:

Our topic is Tolerance and Prejudice. The children will learn about prejudice and how to respect differences in others. They will study the difference in the lifestyles of different communities.

Faith and Belief:

This term's topics are Hinduism and Sikhism - with a focus on the importance of sacred texts in each religion. The BBC video clips website is an excellent source of information. The site has changed recently, but there are links to the topics that we are studying.

Useful website - <http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/subjects/z7hs34j>

Finally - The work covered in our Breakfast 'Booster Club' is generated by the needs of the children; topics chosen are either ones that the children have experienced difficulty with in the classroom or alternatively are ones that all children traditionally find hard. There is noticeable improvement in the progress of children who attend regularly. Unfortunately, there are still a number of children who do not attend. If you are not sending your child at the moment I do urge you to reconsider; children who have attended these classes in the past have definitely got better SATs results in Year 6. Classes run from Monday – Thursday.

Yours faithfully

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