

Hedgehog Class



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to term 4. Our topic this term is Out of Africa. We shall be investigating human rights and why parts of Africa have certain problems. We shall be looking at the necessity for clean water researching the diseases that affect the people in Africa. Also, we shall categorise the different geographical features of Africa and find out about the climate of African countries.

English

During English lessons, we shall be using a class novel, "A Long Walk to Water", which is the true story of "The Lost Boys." We shall also look at the film The Lion King and dip into Hamlet. Children will research the life of Nelson Mandela and write a biography of his life. We shall be identifying the meaning of new words through the use of knowledge of root words, prefixes and suffixes. We shall also be focussing on the application of all high order punctuation in writing, continuing to identify and use nouns, adjectives, verbs, adverbs, conjunctions, prepositions and revise simple, complex and compound sentences. The children will extend their knowledge of spelling strategies and apply these to high-frequency and cross-curricular words from the Years 5 and 6 word list.

Maths

We shall be revising all maths topics taught so far. The children will also be using simple formulae and solving missing number problems algebraically. We shall be converting measures and looking at scales.

P.E

Our P.E. days will be on a Monday afternoon and Tuesday morning. All children need to have a P.E. kit in school including plimsolls or trainers for outside sessions. No earrings are allowed to be worn during P.E. lessons therefore the children need to be able to take them out themselves, or have them taken out in the mornings before school. This term pupils will take part in multi sports and team games.

Science

Our topic this term is Living Things and their Habitats and involves describing the differences in the life cycles of a mammal, a reptile, a fish, an amphibian, an insect and a bird. Pupils will describe the life process of reproduction in some plants and animals.

R.E.

This term we are exploring the idea of Salvation. We shall look at the life of Jesus focusing on the events of Easter.

ICT

Pupils will plan, design and make a year book for the Class of 2020.

ART

This term pupils will be focussing on different forms of printing and mask making.

The next 2 terms are very important as far as Year 6 are concerned. They have to not only learn new skills but also revise those taught previously in the last two years. It is a culmination of their primary school education and we want to help your child be the best they can so that they feel they can tackle any task with confidence and achieve.

Home work will be given on a Friday and collected in on a Tuesday. There will be an opportunity to complete any unfinished homework at lunchtime. Every week there is also homework online using My Maths. Some children also have Nessy tasks to complete. Sometimes a piece of research is set. If your child doesn't have access to a computer at home the lunchtime session is a good opportunity for them to catch up without missing out. Spellings or grammar are also given as part of the homework task. Please help your child learn these. If you have any concerns about your child or their progress please write a note in the reading record or come and see us at the end of the afternoon to discuss any worries. Thank you for your support.

Mrs C Murray and Mrs. J Evans