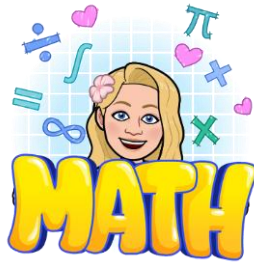


Island Hopping with Class 1

Maths

This half term we will be focusing on number sense and Place Value. We will be practising counting forwards and backwards as well as fast recall and memorising our number bonds to 10.

Children in Reception will be learning in depth about numbers to 10 including writing the numerals, counting, place value and simple addition and subtraction.



Science



As we set sail on our voyage we will learn about the different animals they meet along the way and their different

habitats. We will also learn about food chains and explore why some animals wouldn't be suited to living in different habitats.

Geography

Whilst on our journey around the world, we will stop off at many islands including the UK and Madagascar. We will learn about and compare the environments on each island.



History

During our adventure we will learn about famous explorers such as Amelia airhert and Sir David Attenborough's love of nature and animals.

English

Our focus texts in English will be journey texts. Children will explore the structure of stories through role-play and story retelling. We will look at the language authors have chosen to use, particularly focusing on adjectives and descriptive writing. The children will write their own setting and character descriptions using new, exciting vocabulary. We will also tell recounts of our journeys.



Phonics

Children will have daily phonics lessons in which they will learn new sounds and spelling rules. We will practise reading and writing them through games, songs and activities and children are encouraged to apply their learning in written work in class through the use of sound mats.

Reading

Children will bring reading books home which are phonetically decodable. In class we will aim to read one to one with children at least once a week. As well as this, reading will also be incorporated into our other lessons across the curriculum.



Handwriting

We will practise handwriting in specific lessons and discretely through other areas of the curriculum.

RE

Christianity

The children will look at a number of stories from the Bible and consider how they might affect us and others in our daily lives. They will learn about how and why Christians worship.

Music



As well as learning a variety of songs through other areas of the curriculum to aide our learning, the children will be learning about how people use their voices expresively and creatively by listening to a range of songs during our music lessons. We will use Music lessons to learn more about explorers.

PE

Our PE lessons will be on Tuesdays. Lancashire School Sports Specialists will be delivering outdoor activities. Please ensure children have their PE kits in school.

PSHE

Me and my relationships

The children will think about their own qualities and discuss how important, valued and loved they are. They will talk about their loved ones and how we show we care.



Computing

Children will learn about internet safety, the rules for using technology and keeping safe online.



How you can help at home

- Reading at home with your child can really help their confidence when reading aloud. Whether it be their reading book from school, books or magazines around the home or helping read a recipe when cooking, every little helps! Reading to your child can also help develop their comprehension and enjoyment of reading. You can discuss the stories, what they think might happen next, link events to personal experiences and talk about their favourite characters.
- Spellings will be brought home weekly every Friday and children will be tested on them the following Friday. The words sent home will be linked to those learnt in phonics lessons the previous week.
- Homework is an opportunity for children to share the skills and knowledge they have learnt in school with you at home and to practise their skills. The tasks will be in a 'Pick 'N' Mix' format and relate to our topic. The red tasks should be completed weekly and children should choose 3 of the green tasks to complete over the half term. Any completed homework can be brought in on Fridays and we will share it in class.
- useful websites:
 - www.teachyourmonstertoread.com
 - www.phonicsplay.com
 - www.phonicsbloom.com
 - www.topmarks.co.uk
 - www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize

