



Sycamore Class Newsletter

Autumn Term 1



Here is a summary of what your child will be learning this half term:

This half term the topic is based around history. The children will be looking at Toys Through the Ages from olden times to the current day. They will be asking what toys were like for parents and grandparents so that they can make comparisons with their own experiences.

English

In English children will start to write lists, labels and captions that are linked to stories. We will be focusing on correct formation, capital letters and full stops; ensuring that the children use finger spaces when creating simple sentences. We will then go to look at settings and characters before writing their own stories.

Phonics

The children will start with some revision on double vowel sounds taught so far and building longer words from phase 3 and phase 4. Then they will continue onto more double vowel sounds and alternative spellings.

Please ensure that your child continues to read widely at home and to record their progress in their Home Reading Journals which will be checked on Mondays.

Maths

During numeracy this half term the children will continue using numbers to 20 and writing numbers to 10 in numerals and words. They will be identifying and representing numbers using objects and pictorial representations. Children will be identify 1 more and 1 less, also counting in multiples of 2. They will be looking at making 10 using two numbers (number bonds) and relating to subtraction number facts. They will be adding and subtracting numbers to 10, using mathematical symbols (-, +, =). We will be looking at range of 2d and 3d shapes.

Computing

The children will start by learning about Internet safety, before moving on to Exploring Purple Mash using a variety of programmes.

DT

The children will be looking designing and making their own toys, using a range of materials.

Science / Forest School

We will be doing Forest School session on a Friday morning. During these sessions, children will be exploring using their senses in the environment. The children will be learning about seasonal changes, and the weather and the world in which we live in.

RE/PSHE

RE we will be looking at why the word 'God' is so important to Christians.

Our PSHE theme is New Beginnings, we will also be talking about what makes a good friend.



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PE

The children will be doing Gymnastics this term.

Notes and Reminders

Home reading scheme books will be changed on when they children have read it and it has been recorded in their reading journal. Children can choose a book from the library and the class book box in addition to the reading scheme book.

P.E. kits need to be in school on a Monday to be left in school until Friday and can earrings be either taken out or covered with plasters.

This newsletter only gives a brief outline of our topics this half term – if you need any further information about any aspect of the curriculum or your child's progress please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thank you!

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