

What Are We Up To...?

Autumn Term 1 and 2
2017

Edenham C of E Primary School
CURRICULUM INFORMATION for Parents and Families

ENGLISH

In Class 2 we will begin the term with exploring stories which have a similar plot. The children will be comparing these stories through drama, discussion, group activities and written work. We will then be moving on to begin exploring non-fiction texts. Through this we will produce written work which links in with our topic. We will be looking at writing instructions and then a non-chronological report in the form of a leaflet. During term 2 we will be exploring stories by the Author Julia Donaldson and looking at information texts linked into our topic.

All the children learn phonics and grammar in their year groups and then apply this to their class work. Spelling work will be linked to class work and the phonics teaching and homework will relate to this. The children will have weekly group reading tuition sessions and maintain regular reading on a 1:1 basis as required.

MATHEMATICS

The children will be taught in separate year groups for maths this year.

Year 1s will be taught by Mrs Robinson and will be focusing on number skills and knowledge. They will be focusing on counting, identifying odds/evens and on more/less. Moving on to identifying shapes during Term 2.

Year 2s will be taught by Miss Jarvis and we will be exploring and using our understanding of place value and number facts to solve addition and subtraction problems. The children will also be using their understanding of addition and subtraction to help them to solve investigations. The children will also begin to use block graphs and pictograms to learn how to organize and present data. This will link in with their Science work. In term 2 we will be moving on to looking at multiplication and division. Throughout the two terms the children will be learning how to organize and present data in a variety of ways through their science learning.

SCIENCE

During Term 1, the children will be learning about themselves and the senses that we have. We will be labeling the human body and we will be carrying out investigations linked into the different senses. From there we will be moving onto looking at light and dark.

They will record their observations in a variety of ways including Block graphs and Pictograms.

We will find out which scientists made an impact in developing the materials we look at.

In the second half of the term the children will learn about conditions needed for growth and the needs of animals in terms of their habitats.

The children study the seasons throughout the course of the year and they will observe and record the changes that occur as we go from autumn to winter.

P.E.

P.E. is on Monday and Tuesday Please ensure your child has their P.E. kit in every day.

Games with Mrs Oakley on a weekly basis – children follow programmes exploring skills such as throwing, catching and team skills.

The second PE session will be with Miss Jarvis. We will begin with exploring multi-skills before moving onto following the Val Sabin programme, exploring movement to music and rhythm focusing on body control.



CLASS 2

Our main themes will be:

Amazing Me and Remember, Remember.

R.E. Following the Lincolnshire Agreed Syllabus for R.E.

The focus for the first term will be on giving thanks. We will be writing prayers to say thank you and will be looking at the different ways you can say thank you. We will also be exploring Harvest during the period of Harvest Festival.

Moving into the second term, the children will be exploring the Christian Community leading up to Christmas.

<p><u>HISTORY</u></p> <p>During the next two terms children will be researching and learning about the history of Edenham and comparing it today's life in Edenham. The children will also be finding out about the gun powder plot and other historical events.</p>	<p><u>GEOGRAPHY</u></p> <p>In Class 2 we will be looking at the different places the children have been to on holidays beginning with those within the UK before moving on to looking at the wider world. We will be having a Celebrate England afternoon where we be exploring all things British.</p>	<p><u>ART</u></p> <p>This term our Art learning will link closely to the topic of Amazing Me and Remember Remember. We will be exploring a variety of artists' work and will use these pieces of work to allow the children to create their own pieces of art. Throughout the term we will be creating our own self-portraits, firework pictures, poppies and Christmas artwork.</p>
<p><u>ICT</u></p> <p>We will develop our word processing skills, mouse control and use ICT to support our work in Maths and English.</p> <p>We will also be using the computers to conduct research to link in with our topics.</p>	<p><u>PSHE – Personal, Social, Health & Education</u></p> <p>The children will follow the SEAL curriculum.</p> <p>This term the theme is “New Beginnings and Getting On”.</p> <p>We will be discussing coming back to school and any worries the children will have. We will also be working on friendship, seeing things from another point of view, working together and managing feelings including anger.</p> <p>We will regularly use circle time to discuss issues and things the children find difficult as they arise.</p> <p>The children will be encouraged to deal with problems together in an open and positive way.</p>	<p><u>MUSIC</u></p> <p>We have a fantastic new music program led by Mrs Young. The children will interact with others taking turns through songs – particularly those relating to seasonal themes and phonic development. Exploring pitch, the concept of ‘high’ and ‘low’ and, vocal technique through action songs. We shall revise how to keep a pulse, match a beat and pitch. Songs and hymns during assemblies and preparation for the Christmas productions will develop communal singing opportunities and listening skills.</p> <p>We will also be using songs within class to link in with our work on senses in science.</p>

HOMEWORK: The most valuable homework you can do with your child is to set aside a short, daily reading time where you share and enjoy books together. Nothing beats this! Please spend time each day to share and enjoy stories with your children. School books are a useful tool for developing some skills but only of real benefit when read alongside plenty of other texts – fiction, nonfiction, comics or whatever you all enjoy.

Homework tasks are given on Fridays and should, ideally, be returned the following Tuesday. House points are given for completed homework that is returned on time and any extra work children do at home will also be celebrated within the classroom.

Year 1 The children in Year 1 will receive one piece of homework each week, usually spellings or Maths. They may also be asked to research topic work.

Year 2 The children in Year 2 will receive two pieces of homework most weeks consisting of English and Maths. They may also be asked to research topic work.

Please can the children bring in any spare cardboard from home to help us within our DT learning where we are going to be creating a model village of Edenham.

CLASS CELEBRATION DAYS

We would like lots of interaction with our wonderful families, the Classroom is always open and you are welcome to pop in and see our environment, preferably after school. We shall be hosting a Key Stage 1 WOW work day on Tuesday 10th October at 2:30pm, more details to follow.