



Pendeen

Curriculum Newsletter
Autumn 2nd Half 2020

Staff:

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Homework and Reading:

Homework to be handed out on a Monday. It will be the phonic sound of the day and a Maths activity. This will give the children an opportunity to practice writing the sounds they have learnt that week and to apply their maths knowledge. Please also ensure that your child is reading daily. Reading books will be changed once a week on a Monday, we will send home 2/3 books at a time. Re-read each book more than once, this will enable your child to familiarise themselves with the story and to confidently re-tell the story to you. The reading books will have words in at this stage. You can help by talking about the characters and setting and encouraging your child to respond to questions and make a narrative to describe the pictures.

Thank you for your on going support. I hope you feel your child is settled, happy and making good progress.

Our topic is
celebrations



Maths:

This term we will learn to:

- Add and subtract mentally
- Compare length and height
- Comparing capacities
- Name 2d shapes and understand their properties
- Learn the value of coins
- Order numbers
- Count on and back
- Chant to 20 and begin to chant to 100

Literacy:

In English, our first class story is 'The Three Billy Goats Gruff.' We will learn the story using actions and a story map. The children will learn to recognise and read some key words in the story and explain what happens in the beginning, middle and end. They will have daily phonic lessons using the Read Write Inc. programme. We also practice the letter sounds throughout the day. At this stage we do not teach letter names but we learn the sound phonetically. The children will learn how to form letters and words. Most of their learning in literacy will be linked to the topics where appropriate. You can support your child by listening to them read and encouraging them to write and complete their homework.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development:

The whole school value for this half term is 'compassion.' The children will learn what compassion means and to be able to recognise situations where compassion has been shown. We will link the value to a bible story. We will have weekly circle time, which will help the children understand their own feelings and the feelings of others. We will continue to teach the children how to be independent, they will learn to share and to take turns and to assert themselves in a friendly manner to resolve conflict peacefully. They will learn how to work in pairs and groups with other children that we would not normally play with.

Communication and Language:

The children will continue to learn how to express themselves effectively showing an awareness of the listeners needs. The children will also learn to work in small groups both with and without adult support. They will continue to work with a talk partner when answering 'how' and 'why' questions.

Physical Development:

The children will have weekly PE lessons. This will enable the children to develop good physical skills in all areas of PE. They will learn the importance of a healthy diet and about the effects exercise has on their bodies. This half term the children will learn to move freely in a range of ways. Run skilfully negotiating space successfully adjusting to speed to avoid obstacles. We also have wake and shake in the classroom at 8.40am. We will learn plenty of fun action songs. The children have plenty of access to the outdoors everyday, they use the bikes, scooters and make up games for themselves.

Understanding the World:

The children will learn about other communities around the world in the topic work. They will be encouraged to talk about special events or traditions in their family. They will also have regular access to IT equipment.

Expressive Art & Design:

We will provide an adult led art sessions (which are linked to the topic or class story) that will give the children opportunities to learn new skills. The children will make bonfire sweets, firework pictures, divas, rangoli patterns, advent cards and Christmas cards. They will make models using their own ideas and a variety of mediums. They will learn songs and dances and how to use musical instruments. The children will express themselves through creative play.

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The children have learnt the lord's prayer and the candle prayer. They participate in a daily collective worship. The theme for Autumn two is incarnation and the children will learn why Christians perform nativity plays at Christmas. We will also learn about the Hindu religion during the Diwali festival of light.

This list is a brief summary of what we will be covering in the Autumn Term. It may change or include other areas. Please feel free to ask the class staff any questions you might have about the content of the curriculum or any other part of school life.

Please ensure your child has their book bag, coat in school. On Monday children need to arrive in their PE kit. Thank you.