

Autumn 2
LKS2 Curriculum Newsletter



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back! The children have been really settled this week and enjoyed an excellent first week back after half term. As always, this half term promises to be a particularly exciting one for children. There will be lots of fun activities to partake in and lots of learning to be done. Please find an outline of this half term's learning below.

Geography:

In Geography the children will be conducting a local study based on what we can see outside our windows. They will be learning to describe where Westhoughton is in relation to the rest of the world; describing and understanding the human and physical geography of Westhoughton and describing geographical features, processes (changes), and patterns.

DT:

This half term in DT, LKS2 will be designing, making and evaluating their own Christmas stockings to be sold at our school Christmas Markets. Children will explore different materials, practise sewing skills and learn how to join and decorate fabric to create a high-quality, functional product. They will consider their target audience when planning their designs and evaluate their finished stockings against their original ideas.

Science:

In Science this half term, Year 3 will be learning about rocks, exploring different types and comparing their appearance and physical properties. Year 4 will be learning about the three states of matter: solids, liquids and gases. Children will investigate how materials change state when heated or cooled, explore the water cycle and learn how to measure and compare temperatures.



Computing:



In Computing, Year 3 will learn how to create branching databases to sort and classify information. Children will develop their questioning skills to organise data and identify objects accurately. In Computing, Year 4 will learn how to use data loggers to collect and record information. Children will investigate how data can be gathered over time and use their findings to answer questions

RE:



In RE this half term the children will be focussing on Christianity. Our key question this half term is 'What is it like to follow God?' They will be learning about the biblical story of Noah and how God used Noah to restore the relationship between God and humans. In addition to this, they will be learning about covenants and applying this learning to Christian weddings.

PSHE:



The children will be continuing their learning on relationships this half term. They will look at relationships wider than their families and discuss personal boundaries. They will look at hurtful behaviour and the impact this has on people and also how we can be respectful of others.

PE:

During outdoor PE, the children will be working on 'Tactics and Strategies' which can be applied throughout the year. We will also continue to take part in our daily mile time.

PE days:

Woodpeckers: Monday and Friday
Swallows: Monday and Friday

French:



The children will learn to follow classroom instructions, such as standing up and opening their books. They will also practise greetings and learn the different colours.

Please ensure your child is always fully prepared for the school day with their school bag, reading record & reading book, homework, and anything else they may have been asked to bring in.



Seesaw is an app we use to track your child's learning and progress throughout the year. We will send out additional information on how you can view your children's work as well as how to use this app to share WOW moments from home with us in school.

Home Learning:

- Read at home for 15-20 minutes every day
- Practice spellings
- Learn times tables
- Create one example from the half termly project list

Home Reading: **Please ensure that your child reads 5 times a week**



Reading Challenge

5 x= Green
2/3/4= Yellow
0/1= Red

If your child achieves green for the week, they will be entered into a special prize draw!