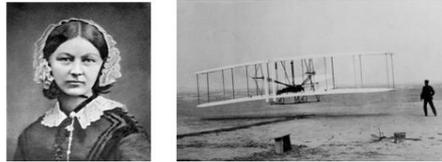




Believe ~ Learn ~ Grow

Summer Term

Florence and the Flying Machine



Friday 23rd April 2021

Dear Class 2 Parents/Carers

Welcome back to the Summer term! We hope you had a relaxing Easter holiday and made the most of the sunny days with your families. Please find attached a copy of this term's topic web. This gives an outline of the teaching and learning experiences for Terms 5 and 6. As you know, we are saying good bye to Mrs Trinder for the Summer term but we have the pleasure of welcoming Mrs dos Santos to the team.

We have lots of exciting things planned for the next two terms. Our topic is called "Florence and the Flying Machine" and is history based. We will start in Term 5 with the history of flying, linking in with our Science topic of materials. In term 6 we will investigate Florence Nightingale and the role she played in the improvement of medical care.

Values:

Our values for Term 5 and 6 are Friendship and Truth. We have included the poems so you can discuss and encourage these values at home.

Friendship

Finding things to do together
Relying on each other
Impossible on your own
Enjoying being together
Never selfish
Depending on someone else
Sharing hopes and dreams
Including others
Happiness and laughter
Precious

Truthfulness

Trustworthy words and actions
Respect for doing the right thing
Uncovering the full picture
Telling it as it is
Having all the facts.

PE:

PE will take place usually on a Tuesday and Thursday but these times are very weather dependent. Please ensure that your child's PE kit is in school every day. It should consist of a white t-shirt, green shorts, green or black jogging bottoms and socks (especially for girls who may be wearing tights). The children will be outside for all of their P.E. lessons so may wish to have long trousers/joggers as part of their kit. If your child wears earrings, these will need to be either removed for P.E. days or medical tape can be kept in their P.E. bag for your child to cover them up (the children will be responsible for applying and removing the tape). Any children with long hair must always have their hair tied back.

Home learning expectations in Class 2

Nippy Numbers:

Nippy Numbers home learning will start next week. This aims to increase the speed at which the children can recall number facts to aid their calculation and problem solving skills in lessons. We have stuck the number bonds into a book that your child will need to learn. Please do not write anything in the book. The book is a means of communication between school and home so you know how your child is getting on in their weekly 'test'. You do not need to write anything down and can complete this home learning completely orally. Matching games are also a good way of helping children to remember the facts. The aim is for your child to know the facts without needing to use their fingers to work them out. We shall be approaching the test in a friendly way. We will tell the children they will do a weekly 'nippy number quiz' and they will be encouraged to answer as many questions as they can in one minute. Your child will be moved onto the next stage in our number bond system if they score 10/10 for two weeks or 9/10 for three weeks. Tests will take place on a Wednesday.

Reading:

We continue to encourage you to read your child's reading book at home with them each night. Please ensure that you record any reading the children do at home as we reward reading effort at home with gem points. It is important to share the same book with your child on several occasions so you can adapt the story, make predictions, learn the tricky words and ask comprehension questions to check understanding. Please keep your child's reading record and reading book in their book bag and bring into school every day. In class, we aim for the children to read to an adult twice a week and their reading record will be stamped or signed to show this.

Spellings:

We will be continuing with spellings in the same format as the Spring term. Please continue to help your child practise their spellings each week in readiness

for spelling tests every Friday. We would like the children to put at least half of their spellings into sentences as a weekly home learning task.

Pick and Mix:

Class 2 will be set Pick and Mix home learning. Your child will receive a Pick and Mix sheet from which we would like them to complete one task per week. The activities are based on our English/Maths/Topic and Values for the term. The children build up points each week and will receive a certificate at the end of term based on the number of points they have earned through their Pick and Mix home learning.

Purple Mash:

We still have weekly tasks on Purple Mash and we would encourage you to allow your child to log onto this website independently. This will really aid them when logging on to the website in class lessons. Some of their tasks on Purple Mash will be linked to Pick and Mix.

As the weather gets warmer, please can we ask that you apply sun cream to your child before they come to school. They are able to add more during the day but sometimes this can take them as long as they have to play!

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to send a message to the School Office and we will contact you as soon as is possible.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards,

Mrs Jones, Mrs dos Santos, Mrs Hyde and Mrs Butler