



RE

The focus of this term's R.E work is Beginnings and Preparing. Our first topic that we will look at is called Beginnings (Domestic Church). We will think about how God has made us all and how He made the Earth for us. We will also take some time to look at Baptism and think about what happens when someone is baptised in church. We take time to think about other religions and this term we will look at Judaism in which we will learn about Shabbat in a Jewish Family. In our Advent/Christmas, we will focus on Advent as a time of waiting and preparing.

English

This term we will have a particular focus on Handwriting skills to develop the children's presentation of their writing.

In our English lessons this Autumn, we will look at a range of genres including; letter writing, character descriptions, descriptions of settings, recounts and instructional writing through various topics e.g. 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory', 'The Smartest Giant in Town' and spooky Halloween happenings!

Spellings will continue to be sent home each Wednesday. Please help your child to learn their words each week.

Reading is very important! Please listen to your child read regularly and ensure

Maths

We will begin the year with a focus on place value. Year 2 children will be recognising the value of digits using a range of concrete apparatus including tens frames, Numicon, cubes, number lines and dienes blocks. If you would like to know more about these resources and how they can be used to help at home, please ask.

We will move onto addition and subtraction with a big focus on fact families, number bonds and related facts.

We will be recalling multiplication and division facts for the 2x, 5x, 10x and for some, the 3x tables which are given with homework and tested weekly.

Where possible, we will make cross-curricular links to our English and Topic lessons to further engage the children.

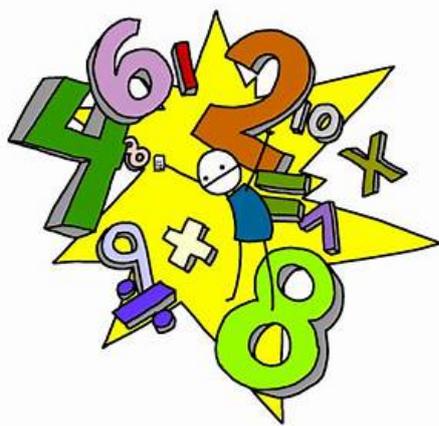
Science

During the Autumn term we will be exploring Animals including Humans where we will be focussing on healthy eating, exercise, hygiene and the life cycle of animals e.g. baby chicks to chickens, see below.



they bring their reading book and record to school every day. It would be appreciated if you could also write a comment to let us know how your child is getting on at home with their reading.

Homework is given on a Wednesday and is to be returned by the following Tuesday.



PE

This term we will focus on athletics, where the children will learn to work as part of a team and develop their running, throwing and catching skills.

Art/DT/Music

Our Art and DT work will be linked to our topics.

Computing

We will be continuing to develop our E-safety knowledge as well as introducing the children to algorithms.

History / Geography

In History and Geography we will be learning about our local area in particular the Stockton and Darlington Railway with a visit to Darlington Railway Museum 'Head of Steam'.

Global Goals

We are going to focus on Global goal 14 'Life below water' which will inform our persuasive letter writing.



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