

Class 2's Newsletter Term 5

Dear parent/carers

I hope that you have all had a fantastic time over the Easter break and the children are feeling refreshed.

New Topic

Our new topic this term is a science based topic called 'Amazing Animals' which we kick started by holding a pet afternoon, where selected animals were brought into the classroom for the children to learn about their features and needs for survival.

The class will now focus on both the life cycle and the different parts of the human body, before moving onto the life cycle and features of various different animals. Class 2 will be having several visitors throughout the term including a tortoise, African snails and a horse. These visitors will provide opportunities for both creative writing and art work. The topic will finish with an exciting visit from Raptorexotics, who will be bringing in mini-beasts, lizards and birds from the rainforest.

In Literacy, the children will begin by studying the features of non-chronological reports in order to then create their own report about an animal that they have researched using the Ipads. Class 2's literacy lessons will then focus on the book 'The Woolly Mammoth' where the children will be identifying the features of a set of instructions. This knowledge will then be built upon in order for them to finally create their own set of instructions independently. After the SATs tests, the children will end the term by writing their own exciting animal stories.

During our Numeracy lessons, the children will continue to strengthen their understanding of the four operations, as well as their ability to find fractions of shape and numbers. The children will also practise solving missing number sentences and rewriting number sentences to solve problems. In addition to number work, the class will also be practising reading the time and creating given amounts of money in a variety of ways.

In our R.E. lessons this term, the children will begin to learn about the important festival of Raksha Bandhan and during P.E. the children will have the opportunity to practise their archery skills using the brand new Arrows equipment.

SATs

As you will be aware the children will be completing their SATs papers this term. We have scheduled these tests to take place during the week commencing the 15th May 2017. We kindly ask that you try to ensure that your child is in school throughout this week. The results from the SATs paper will be used as evidence to provide a final teacher assessment at the end of the year. The results of this assessment will be communicated to you in your child's school report at the end of the year.

Once again, please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or queries. This can be done by either coming in to see me, or by sending a note with your child.

Kind regards,

Mrs. Newton