Year 5 Newsletter – Term 2



Elm: Miss Finnis
Mrs Nikki Payne – Thursdays
TA: Mrs Bull
PE: Wednesday and Thursday
Forest School: (First 2 weeks of term - 5.11.26 and 12.11.26)



Oak: Miss Tree
Mrs Bolejko – Thursday AMs
TA: Miss Lyell
PE: Wednesday and Thursday
Forest School: (Last 4 weeks of term – 19.11.26, 26.11.26, 3.12.26, 10.12.26)

Where would you settle?

English



In English, we will be using the book 'Lost Happy Endings' by Carol Ann Duffy. We will be describing settings, characters and atmosphere, using the correct punctuation for speech and integrating speech with action to move the story on. We will also continue to look at the use of expanded noun phrases and use of paragraphs. Then we will use the book 'The Polar Express' nearer Christmas time.

Maths

In Maths, this term we will be looking at multiplication and division in particular factors, prime and cube numbers. We will look again at multiplying and dividing numbers by 10, 100 and 1000. Then we will begin work on fractions to understand equivalent and improper to then order them as well as add and subtract.

History and Geography



We will be looking at how and why the Anglo-Saxons came to Britain after the fall of the Roman Empire in 410AD. We will look at where they settled and why and understand what a village settlement was like. We will also explore how they ruled and their beliefs about Christianity. We will understand types of settlement and use maps to locate their different features.

Art

The theme for the term is 'Dreamscapes'. Using illustrations from Neil Gaiman, Craig Russell and Lorenzo Mattotti and the Surrealism movement, children will practice drawing techniques to create their own dreamscape.

Music

Children will identify key features of a ballads, linked to history understand the use of ballads by Anglo-Saxons. Perform ballads with actions and compose their own rhyming verse.

RE

The big question is 'Was Jesus the Messiah?' this will involve exploring incarnation in the Bible, identifying Gospel and prophecy texts and explain connections of the messiah and incarnation using theological terms. We will also be using a Methodist unit to explore the meaning of warm hearts for a methodist and what it might be like to feel God's presence.



Computing

Children will be creating their own digital content for a webpage based on the Anglo-Saxons. They will identify a good piece of digital content and the benefits of using technology to present information. They will learn how to create and edit the digital content, using copy-right free content and collaborating using online tools.



Science

In Science, the children will be exploring properties and changes of materials. This will revise the states of matter, reversible and irreversible changes, dissolving, separation, filtration and evaporation.

PE

This term, the children will be practicing their attacking and defending skills in hockey for Outdoor PE. Indoors, they will be improving gymnastic techniques focusing on improving body strength through stretching and balancing.

PSHE

The theme is 'Valuing Differences.' Children will explore friendships and difference in others to identify the value of living in a diverse world. They will be also understanding what is meant by mutual respect, discrimination, racism and injustice.

French

The unit the children will work on is called 'Ma Famille' – My family, learning how to describe their family.

Term 2 Christian Value

Love

"Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind and love your neighbour as yourself." Matthew 7 v12.

Please make sure your child brings in their reading record and reading book **EVERY DAY**

Remember children need a named coat in school every day. Don't forget to bring suitable clothes for the OPAL play which will be outside in all weathers so wellies and waterproofs are needed. Please make sure ***all*** items of clothing are labelled.