

CLASS 1JD

THE PURPOSE OF THIS NEWSLETTER IS TO INFORM YOU OF THE TOPICS
THAT YOUR CHILDREN WILL BE STUDYING THIS HALF TERM...

CHILDHOOD



Literacy

During the Read Write Inc lessons your child will be focusing on phonics, guided reading, punctuation and grammar.

During the Talk Through Stories lessons your child will extend and deepen their vocabulary so that they can understand the books. As a result your child will be able to read and enjoy the books for themselves.

We will also use cross curricular reading and disciplinary writing during history and science lessons.

Science

In Science our main topic for this half term is 'Everyday Materials'. During this topic the children will learn that materials are what objects are made from. They will observe and identify objects made from different materials in places familiar to them, such as their home and school. The children will compare and group together a variety of everyday materials on the basis of their simple physical features,

Computing

During computing lessons the children will be developing an understanding of technology and how it can help them. The children will become more familiar with the different components of a computer by developing their keyboard and mouse skills and they will start to consider how to use technology responsibly.

P.E

PE Kits should be brought into school every Monday and taken home to be washed every Friday. PE lessons will usually take place on Monday afternoons. During this half term the children will be taking part in 'Real PE' which is made up of different PE units. The first unit is called 'Personal Skills'. Children will need their PE kit of plain red shorts and plain white t-shirt. Trainers are also required on this day as, wherever possible, PE lessons will take place outside.

Numeracy

Our main areas of study will be:

- Place Value
- Addition and Subtraction

Your child will also be learning relevant number facts. I would appreciate any support you can provide with this at home. Information to help is available on the school website.

History

In our Childhood topic, the children will learn words and phrases related to the passage of time. They will explore artefacts to help them to understand childhood in the past and how childhood has changed over time. They will explore the six stages of life and explore timelines and family trees. The children will use maps to explore how places have changed over time and highlight any similarities or differences between childhood today and childhood in the 1950s.

Art

In art the children will learn about basic colour theory by studying the colour wheel and colour mixing. The children will explore primary and secondary colours and learn how artists use colour in their artwork.

RE

In RE we will be thinking about 'What do Christians believe God is like?' We will be looking at different parables from the Bible, and how Christians show that they believe in God.

Music

In music the children will learn about the differences between pulse, rhythm and pitch and learn how to rap and enjoy it in its original form.

Home Reading

Home reading books will be sent home to support our Read Write Inc Phonics and reading programme. Please sign the reading record when you have read these with your child and return them to school each day. Home reading books are changed every Friday.

If you have any concerns that you need to discuss, please email me on j.duck@stj.hslt.academy or Mrs Lyons on d.lyons@stj.hslt.academy or ring the school office if it is urgent.