

CLASS 2MW

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

BRIDLINGTON COMPARED

TO BYRON BAY



Reading/Writing

The children will continue to follow the Read Write Inc programme to support their phonics and develop their fluency of reading.

As a class we will be focusing on the text 'Ada Twist and the Perilous Pantaloons' by the author Andrea Beaty. The children will develop reading aloud skills and work at becoming a fluent reader with growing comprehension skills.

In writing the children will be developing their grammatical skills by creating pieces of writing based on the text 'Last Stop on Market Street' by Matt de la Peña.

Science

In Science the children will be learning about 'Animal Survival.' The children will learn about the growth in animals by exploring the life cycles of some familiar animals. They will focus on the basic needs of animal survival including food, water, air and shelter and use their scientific skills to identify and classify animals that are invertebrates and vertebrates. Using their knowledge of animal survival the children will then be able to understand human impact and whether humans harm or help habitats.

R.E.

In R.E the children will be focusing on the question 'What is the good news Christians say Jesus brings?' The children will learn about the concept of 'Gospel' and the good news of forgiveness, peace and love that Christians believe God brings.

The children will learn about the instructions that Jesus gives in the Bible and how Christians follow his examples and instructions in order to behave in a Christian way.

Home Reading

Home reading books will be sent home to support our Read Write Inc Phonics and reading programme, as well as books to encourage children to share stories with you and read for pleasure.

Please discuss these with your child and sign their reading record daily and return them to school each day. Each child will be entered into a reading challenge where they must read at least 3 times each week.

PSHE

In PSHE (Jigsaw) we will be learning about 'Changing Me.' The children will begin to understand that everyone is unique and special. They will develop their knowledge about how to deal with their emotions when change happens and how to express how they feel.

Numeracy

During this half term we will take the time to recap and consolidate all of the children's learning in numeracy throughout the year. We will consolidate areas such as their place value knowledge, addition and subtraction, as well as multiplication, division and time.

We will be focusing on the 2, 5 and 10 times tables. Your support at home with helping your children to learn their times tables will be greatly appreciated.

History/Geography

In History the children will continue to learn about historically significant women who have had an impact on the world and people's lives today.

In Geography the children will be continuing to answer the question 'What are the similarities and differences between Bridlington and Byron Bay?' These lessons will focus on developing children's knowledge of coastlines. They will explore the human features of coastal areas, including how tourists are attracted to visiting the coast. They will carry out a detailed exploration of the coastal town of Bridlington and compare this to Byron Bay.

Music

In music the children will be exploring the piece of music called the 'Friendship Song.' The children will be able to identify the pulse, rhythm and pitch by singing and playing instruments.

Art/DT

In Art the children will continue with the project 'Flower Head.' The project will focus on the visual elements of flowers, such as shape, texture, colour and pattern. They will explore different artistic methods such as drawing and printmaking. In Design and Technology the children will continue to develop their skills throughout the project of 'Cut, Stitch and Join.' The children will be focusing on the brand 'Cath Kidston' and observing the characteristics of the brand. They will then investigate ways in which fabrics are joined and fastened.

Computing

In computing we will be focusing on the importance of E-Safety and the use of Pictograms. The children will be introduced to the term 'data' and progress into presenting data in a pictogram and also block diagrams.

PE

In PE the children will be focusing on Health and Fitness. PE lessons will now usually be on a **Friday**. PE kits should be brought into school every Monday and taken home to be washed every Friday. Children will need their PE kit of plain red shorts and plain white T Shirt, as well as their outdoor kit of plain black joggers and black jumper. Trainers are also required on this day.

If you have any concerns that you need to discuss with me, please email me at m.worrall@stj.hslt.academy or ring the school office if it is urgent.