



Parent Curriculum Overview

AUTUMN TERM 1 2021 CHESTNUT CLASS

ENGLISH

Our first English unit this term will be based on the text 'Stone Age Boy'. We will have a heavy focus on sentence construction and extending our sentences using a range of conjunctions and adverbials of time and place. Our next unit will focus on poetic language studying Jack and the Dream sack. The children will continue to be involved in daily guided reading sessions and regular handwriting activities. Reading continues to be a high priority. We ask you to support this by reading regularly at home and making comments in the home school link book.

MATHEMATICS

Learning in Maths will begin by consolidating our understanding of place value, unpicking what numbers represent. We will then focus on developing our addition and subtraction skills before moving onto multiplication of the 3s, 4s and 8s. Throughout the term we will be further working on problem solving and reasoning skills to deepen the children's understanding of mathematics. The children will be involved in a variety of practical learning experiences both inside and outside of the classroom.

PSHE

This term our PSHE theme is 'Being Me In My World'. We will discuss our hopes and fears for the year as well as rewards and consequences within class and how we can make our school a safe and fair place. Our PSHE is taught using the Jigsaw scheme.

History / Geography

Our topic this term focuses on how the lives of ancient Britains changed during the Stone Age, Iron Age and Bronze Age.

COMPUTING

This term our computing topics are 'sending an email'. We will learn about cyberbullying and fake emails. We will gain an understanding of what different components of a computer do.

ART

Our artwork this term will be 'sketching' inspired by Henry Moore's illustrations of Stone Henge. We will learn a range of techniques to add interesting effects and how to use shading to show light and shadow.

French

Our French is taught using the 'Salut' scheme. The children will learn how to greet each other, introducing themselves in French, counting up to 10 and introducing their immediate family.

SCIENCE

In Science we will be finding out about light. We will learn how to measure shadows, and find out how they are formed, and what might cause the shadows to change.

PE & Wild Tribe

PE is on a Tuesday and a Thursday. Please check that your child has the correct PE kit and their shoes are the right size. The children will be learning about hockey and dance. Wild Tribe is on a Friday afternoon. Please send your child to school with appropriate clothing.

RE

Our RE enquiry centres around what it is like for someone to follow the Christian faith and their God and what do Christians learn from the Creation story.

INFORMATION

The staff in Chestnut Class are: Ms Harris, Mrs Matthews, Mrs French (mornings) and Miss Holder (each Wednesday morning).

PE: Full PE kits need to be in school every day. PE kits should be named. Please check that your child's PE shoes fit and they have a complete kit in readiness for sports day.

Wild Tribe: Wild Tribe is on a Friday afternoon. Please send your child to school with a long sleeved top and long trousers. Weather appropriate clothing will also be needed and old trainers or wellies.

Homework: set every Friday and must be completed by the following Thursday. Children will be given weekly spellings as well as Maths homework. These spellings are part of the Year 3 National Curriculum and will be tested every Friday.

Reading: Please read with your child at least 4 times each week. Children will get the chance to change their books and complete 'Accelerated Reader' quizzes during the school day.

Maths: Please encourage your child/children to practise their times tables weekly using Times Tables Rockstars, which they can access using their login details.

Please make sure that your child has a water bottle in school every day.

I look forward to meeting you throughout the year.