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PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Sandringham Class Newsletter

Summer Term 2021

Over the summer term, we will firstly be immersing ourselves into the world of Flight! We will be learning all about significant individuals who explored and soared through the air: from Icarus, to The Wright Brothers and finally the life of a great inspirational figure, Amelia Earheart. We will then be jetting off to the plains of Africa where we will get to be wild at heart! We will be going on safari across the Serengeti-meeting the wildlife and exploring the way of life in Africa. Our Science for this term will be seasons and weather- making weather vanes, rain gauges and writing our own weather reports.

English – Reading & Phonics

In the first half term of summer, we will be exploring texts linking to our famous inventors research and explorers such as Amelia Earheart, The Wright Brothers and the Greek myth 'The Flight of Icarus'.

For our Africa topic in the summer two term, we will be using the texts: 'Handa's Surprise', 'The tiger who came to tea', 'Gorilla', 'Anna Hibiscus' and 'Monkey puzzle'

Across the foundation subjects, we will look at the following texts: 'Only one you' (All about me PSHE link) and in Science: 'Tree' and 'Ugly Duckling'.

Monster Phonics:

This half term would normally be preparation for the Year 1 Phonics Screening Check, using real and nonsense word reading activities and a mock phonics screen. We will follow the same pattern, but the children will not be completing the screening check this year (government decision due to Covid-19). The remainder of the term focuses on the revision of the Year 1 graphemes. The spelling rules, HFWs and CEWs are then recapped in the last 3 weeks.

English – Writing, handwriting, grammar, punctuation, and spelling

We follow the National Curriculum for the delivery of skills in writing, grammar, punctuation and spelling. The books that we will explore this term will allow opportunities to learn and rehearse these skills. Such as, use capital letters, full stops, question and exclamation marks, commas in lists and begin to use speech marks, use apostrophe for contractions and possession. Read confidently using expression and use a variety of strategies to decode words for reading and spelling. Empathise with a character and make predictions about a text. Identify and discuss words and phrases. Write clearly recognising some of the features for different genres, understanding to purpose and audience for their writing. Using a variety of conjunctions (and, but, so, because). Can use interesting vocabulary, adjectives and verbs.

The children have been working hard on their handwriting and this term we will continue to teach the Letterjoin joins to prepare the children for writing in this format for year 2.

Maths

Over the summer term, we will continue to follow the White Rose programme. The children will be taught the following units of maths:

Multiplication and division (2's, 5's and 10's focus)

Fractions (finding $\frac{1}{4}$ and $\frac{1}{2}$)

Position and direction (describing turns)

Number (counting and manipulation of number up to 100)

Money (recognising and counting in coins)

Time (to the hour and half hour, dates and months of the year)

Science

Seasons and the weather:

In this unit the children will be doing lots of observational and exploratory work. They will begin to understand why we have seasons and how they change- what is the impact on our world (hibernation for some animals). They will then move into weather patterns across the seasons: collecting rain in our own made rain gauges and creating a weather vane.

Looking After Ourselves:

In this science unit we will be combining the work we cover in PHSE and the science unit Animals Including Humans with the focus on 'humans'. We will learn about how to make healthy food choices, the principles of eating healthily, 'growing up/our bodies' and diversity in Britain.

Other Curriculum Subjects

History: Significant individuals- Amelia Earheart and the Wright Brothers

Geography: Africa

RE & PSHE: What does it mean to belong to a faith community? And 'All about me' in PSHE

PE: Summer PE kit now required for athletics and team games

Art & Design: Animals on the Serengeti paintings and collage

Design & Technology: Creating an African tribal mask

Music: Famous Composers

Computing: coding and spreadsheets/data collection

Homework

Homework will continue to be weekly spellings and regular recorded daily reading. It would be very helpful to support your children in counting in 2's, 5's and 10's.

We do hope that your child enjoys their last term of this academic year with us. If you do have any worries or concerns, please feel free to speak to one of us quickly, about any matter, however small.

Mrs. Collen, Ms. Stewart and Mrs. Sparkes