

Nightingale Class

Our new learning theme for this half term is...

“Why is our local area special?”

Our focus will be History and Geography based. The pupils will be learning about our local area including Red Lodge, Bury St. Edmunds and Mildenhall. We will be accessing this through other subjects as well but subjects such as maths will still be taught separately.

In English we will begin by spending some time looking at the book Journey by Aaron Becker. It follows a little girl as her magic crayon leads her on an incredible adventure.

We will then link back to our history topic and tell the story of King Edmund which we will have been learning about. The children will be learning about play scripts and will build up to write their own play scripts about him.

In Maths, we will continue to learn about multiplication and division from last term. The children will begin to multiply and divide 2-digit numbers and learn different methods to work out larger calculations.

We will then spend some time before half term looking at measurement. The children will begin to work on converting mm, cm and m.

Reminders:

Please can your child bring their reading book to school every day. PE will continue to be on Wednesdays. This half term we are working on Gymnastics. We will also be having Forest School sessions on Fridays.

As part of our healthy eating approach, we do not allow squash or flavoured water in school, so please make sure your child has only water in their bottle. If your child would like a snack at break time, we ask that you send them to school with fresh fruit or vegetables to help encourage a healthy diet.



In Theme lessons we will be finding out about the history of our local towns including Red Lodge, Bury St. Edmunds and Mildenhall. It will give an insight into the history of the invading Anglo-Saxons and Vikings before the class learn about them in more detail in Year 4.

In Science this half term we will be exploring forces and Magnets. We will learn about how they affect us daily.

How to support your child at home:

Sharing stories and listening to your child read can really help further their learning at home. I completely understand that life can be busy, but even 10 minutes a day can make a big difference.

Your child should also be logging onto Times Tables Rockstars as often as possible to work on their recall of the times tables. There are also plenty of games and activities available on Purple Mash. If you need any help logging in with these please let me know.

If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to come and speak to me. Thank you in advance for your support.

Links to Previous Learning

This theme will give the children a chance to reflect on what they know about their local area and share their knowledge with each other. We will reflect on our learning last term about life in Britain in the Iron age to think about how towns and villaaes were founded.

Dates for your diary:

2nd February – NSPCC Number Day

19th-23rd February – Half Term