

Squirrel Class

A huge welcome back, we hope you all had a wonderful half term break and are looking forward to the busy term ahead. This half term is very busy and is full of lots of fantastic learning opportunities before the excitement of Christmas begins! Your child has now been introduced to our learning theme of "Who was the lady with the lamp?" Throughout this theme, we will focus on the significant individual Florence Nightingale.

English

Our English has begun with a poetry unit. We have been learning what makes a poem successful and we will use these concepts to write our own Firework Night List poem. We will then link our English to our History theme and learn how to write a set of instructions on how to and wash our hands.

Maths:

We will continue to learn about addition and subtraction. We will then be moving on to shape. The children will be introduced to the vocabulary of; 2 dimensional and 3 dimensional. We will also be identifying a variety of 2D and 3D shapes.

RE

In RE we will be looking at why learning to do good deeds is so important to the Jewish faith. We will explore the idea of - It's a Mitzvah!

PSHE

We continue our PSHE learning by exploring the idea of Relationships. Looking at our family, safe relationships and how we can be respectful and polite to others.

Science

In Science, the children will be learning about the human body. The children will be naming the parts of the body (in an age - appropriate manner) and learning about the 5 senses.

Autumn 2 Curriculum letter

Who was the lady with
the lamp?

Phonics

In Phonics we are continuing to learn alternative sounds. Please practice with the phonics revision ideas from Parents Evening and the word game.

Music

Let's Start Singing
We will be learning to enjoy singing by warming up our body and voice ready to sing. We will also create and follow the melodic shape of the songs.

History

In History, the focus will be the lady with the lamp - Florence Nightingale. The children will be learning about why she is so significant and why she is still remembered today.

Reminders

Reading books will be changed on Mondays and Fridays. We want to encourage the children to be responsible for putting their own book in the basket each day to foster independence and ownership.

P.E will be on a Monday afternoon so you are welcome to come in dressed in PE kit. Please remove any earrings on these days.

We kindly ask that children come into school with a water bottle containing only water. As part of our eating healthy curriculum we know that water is a healthier choice for children and it also helps to prevent sticky spills in our classroom.

Working in partnership is important to us and makes such a difference to your child's progress. We would like to make sure that all children are completing their 'home learning'

- Reading for a least 5 minutes each day - Parents recording a short note in their reading record.
- Practise any sounds or sounds your child is struggling with at least 3 times a week.
- Practise reading and spelling the tricky words/common exception words.

Your class teacher will send home any information you need. Please ask if you have any questions.

Upcoming Events/Reminders for this half term:

Christmas Dinner and Jumper Day
Wednesday 17th December

Key Stage 1 Nativity:
Monday 15th and Tuesday 16th
December
(more details to follow soon).

End of term:
Friday 19th December

Staff Training Day :
Monday 5th January

Spring Term starts:
Tuesday 6th January