

Term 6 Class Newsletter 2023

Miss Gascoigne's Class News for the Term Ahead



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Welcome to Year 5

We have another busy term again. As it is generally pretty warm, please could you ensure that children have a water bottle each day at school. Could you also make sure that your child has their name on everything so that they are easy to find.

When the children have PE, they should continue to wear their Bitham Brook PE kit into school with the school jumper over the top (if weather conditions require a jumper). Please note the Bitham Brook PE kit is a plain white t-shirt and black shorts/leggings/tracksuit with trainers. Other sports clothing is not acceptable as it is important that, as a school, we have pride in our appearance. It is important that children do not attend school in casual clothing as we want to maintain the children's sense of education being important; pride in their appearance; and belonging to Bitham Brook.

Learning this Term

Maths

In Maths, we will be finishing off our unit on Decimals. The children will then be looking at negative numbers, counting forwards and backwards through zero, comparing and ordering negative numbers and finding the difference between negative numbers. We will finish the term looking at measurements, converting between different units of measure.

Writing

Our Writing will be linked to our class book, 'The Boy at the Back of the Class' by Onjali Rauf or cross curricula learning. We will start by writing a biography on the scientist Galileo Galilei which will link to our science topic of forces. We will finish the term by writing a persuasive letter.

Reading

During Reading we will be working our way through our class book 'The Boy at the Back of the Class' by Onjali Rauf, and interrogate the text using a variety of skills. The children will be able to continue with their own reading and testing their understanding using Accelerated Reader.

PSHE

Our PSHE topic this term is called 'Changing me'. In this unit, children will learn about the changes which boys and girls go through during puberty as well as understanding scientifically how babies are conceived.

Science

In Science, we will be recapping areas of science which the children have found more challenging throughout the year. We will also do a study on the scientist Galileo Galilei.

DT

In DT, the children will plan and make a healthy stir fry. The children will know why eating a range of fruit and vegetables is good for them and may be able to suggest alternative ingredients that could be used.

History

In History, we will be studying the Vikings and their invasion over the UK from the Anglo Saxons. We will be doing a local study on the battle of Eddington.

Computing

In Computing, we are looking at databases. The children will be able to search as well as create databases on their own topics.

Physical Education

In PE, we will be focussing on the sport of Cricket. We will be developing the skills of throwing, catching, fielding and batting. The children will also have lessons in dance.

Religious Education

We will be discussing the question 'How has belief in Jesus as the Messiah impacted art and music?'

Homework

Spellings. Spellings will be tested every 4 weeks. The children's spellings will continue from those given prior to half term. Spellings can also be found on the school website.

Continue to read at home.

Continue practicing for times table challenges on Times Table Rock Stars.

Explore Purple mash and complete any homework that is set.

PE

Tuesday- Dance and cricket

Wednesday-cricket

MESSAGES: PLEASE CAN CHILDREN COME IN WITH A WATER BOTTLE EVERY DAY