

**P5 Termly Update
Session 2017/18
Term 3**



Class News

Happy New Year! Welcome back to term 3, the children have all settled well back into class and are excited about their learning this term. We have chosen the Rainforest as our main topic and at the end of term 2 all the children in the class put suggestions forward for some additional mini topics, they came up with some fantastic learning opportunities from Australia to skateboards and how to start a business! So we will be spending some time working on those too and hopefully you will hear about them from your children.

Weekly Timetable

Monday	Assembly - Every 2nd Week
Tuesday	Art, PE
Wednesday	Drama, Otter Clubs
Thursday	.
Friday	.

This Term's Learning

Literacy and English...

We will focus on a range of spelling strategies to help us spell most words correctly including unfamiliar words and specialist vocabulary linked to our topic work. This will help us during writing to extend our sentence structure using descriptive language. We will also look at more complex punctuation such as the use of exclamation marks, inverted commas and commas. During reading we will look at a range of texts including non-fiction texts this term where we will learn how to take notes and use the information in these texts to present findings. We will continue to work on handwriting skills and this will be encouraged in written work.

Mathematics...

In Maths we will continue to look at multiplication and reinforce this with games and mental maths activities, we are now beginning to work on division including remainders. We will become familiar with the terms multiple, factor and prime numbers. We will also look at time and how we read and record both analogue and digital time. We will use timetables and relate these to examples in the real world, where we might use and need them for a variety of purposes.

Across the Curriculum...

Health and Wellbeing - We will focus on friendship this term with an emphasis on caring, sharing and fairness, this will be linked to the 8 well being indicators and the importance of building positive relationships.
Expressive Arts - In art we will look at famous artists and the techniques they use. During drama we will be looking at a variety of rainforest stories and working collaboratively in groups. In music we will focus on making a sound story to represent the rainforests.
Science - We will be identifying and classifying living things.

Home Learning Arrangements

Homework will be issued on a Monday and is due in on a Friday. This term we will be focussing on spelling strategies linked to work we have done in class. We will also issue topic homework which we will alternate with numeracy work on a 2 week rotation.

Class Notes

We would encourage children to bring in their own labelled water bottles to have access to water in class.
Please ensure that your child has an appropriate indoor and outdoor P.E kit in school.