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Lions - Autumn 1 Curriculum Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

Firstly, let me introduce myself. My name is Miss Baker and I am going to be the Lions class teacher for the year. I am very excited to be back in Norfolk, which is where I grew up and to be working in such a friendly school. This year we are lucky enough to also have Mrs Sparey and Mrs Curtis in our classroom, who are a fantastic addition and are on hand to provide that extra support for your children. We have a busy half term planned and our curriculum map can be found on the back of this letter. Please make sure your child has a named coat - you never know what weather we will be experiencing so it's best to come prepared! Please can we also take this opportunity to remind you that children should bring a named drink bottle each day and that it should contain water, not juice.

Diary Dates

- **Tuesday 6 September - Friday 21 October 2022**
- **Half-term holiday: Monday 24 - Friday 28 October 2022**
- **Monday 31 October - Friday 16 December 2022**
- **Christmas holiday: Monday 19 December - Tuesday 3 January 2023**

Homework

All children are expected to **read for a minimum of 10 minutes daily**. The children haven't been given a reading record this year but how often they read at home will be monitored (this can be done by themselves or by an adult).

Children will be receiving a homework grid and **one task from this needs to be completed each week** and signed and dated by an adult. This will be set checked on a Friday morning.

Children are also expected to continue practising their **times tables skills using Times Table Rockstars**. Children should already have their login from last year but this can be sent home if needed.

PE

We are lucky enough to have been given the opportunity to go swimming on a Friday at Greshams School. Please make sure the children have a swimming costume/ trunks, a towel and swimming hat. Goggles are optional. We will also be having PE at school on a Thursday and the children are able to come into school in their PE kits. PE kit should be a plain white T-shirt and dark (navy/black) bottoms and jumper when needed (not hooded), plus suitable trainers.



Class Dojo

This year the school will be using the Class Dojo app to communicate with parents with regards to behaviour. By downloading this free app, you will be notified when your child is given house points and it will say what it is for. Parents will be sent an invitation shortly via email or text message to join the class. Please note, teachers **will not** be responding to any messages sent on Class Dojo, so please continue to contact the school office for messages and enquiries.

Just one Norfolk

A reminder that justonenorfolk contains a wide range of information and support for families ranging from healthy eating, creating sleep routines, child development, family support, family break up and emotional needs to name but a few. <https://www.justonenorfolk.nhs.uk/>



With best wishes

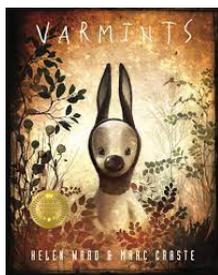
Miss Charlotte Baker
Lions Class Teacher

Lions Curriculum Map

Autumn 1

English

This term the children will be basing their work on the film/book called The Varmints. The children will be writing a story based on the changing environment. 'Sentence Stacking' lessons will help the children develop their writing skills before writing their own story



We will also be doing daily 'Book Talk' sessions using the Jane Considine Reading Rainbow to improve reading skills. Additionally, we will have daily spelling sessions and independent reading time.

Mathematics

We will be starting with place value this term, which will recap the basic number skills with the children, as well getting them to use their knowledge to complete reasoning and problem solving questions. This then follows on nicely to the four operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division), which lets the children explore the column method and the bus stop method. We will also be doing daily arithmetic practice and regular times tables.

Key vocab: Place value, partition, place counter, rounding, ordering, roman numerals, multiplication, division, addition and subtraction.

Science

Lions will be learning all about life cycles this half term.

We will be identifying the main differences between different animal's life cycles and investigating some of these in detail, as well as looking at the gestation periods of animals and why these may differ.

Key Vocab: life cycle, stages, gestation periods, metamorphosis, pregnancy, fish, amphibians, reptiles, mammals, insects.

Computing

This term we will be starting by focusing on some online safety to make sure that all of the children are safe when using a computer and the internet both when at home and when at school. We will then be having a go at using Google Sheets to learn about spreadsheets and formulae.

Key Vocab: column, row, formulae, excel.

Religious Education

In Re we will be starting with the theology topic of 'Where do Christian beliefs come from?' This will look at understanding the role of the Bible in Christianity and exploring the teachings of the New Testament and how these link to Christian beliefs.

Key Vocab: authority, new testament, parables, commandments, incarnation,

History

In History we will be exploring and learning about the history of North Elmham. We have lots of lovely old photographs and maps to look at and to see the visual changes of the area and to explore why these changes may have occurred. In detail we will be looking at the railway, watermill and chapel.

Key Vocab: changes, disused, memorials, census.

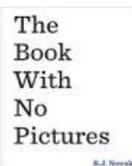
Geography

We will also be focussing on North Elmham in Geography. Looking closely at compass skills, types of maps, map reading and 4 and 6 figure grid references. As well as this, we will be looking at the use of a key within a map and creating sketch maps of North Elmham.

Key Vocab: ordnance survey, grid reference, 8 point compass, key, map, atlas, fieldwork. locality.

Art and Design

This half term, we will be exploring typography and drawing maps!



Children will investigate different typography styles and then create their own. We will then be designing our own maps and illustrating them using our new-found typography skills.

Key vocab: lettering, graphics, design, intention, visual impact

PE

This term we will be focussing on cognitive skills and multi skills. Which will get the children working together and using their hand eye coordination and agility. We will also talk about how being active is part of a healthy lifestyle and ways they could be active at home.

Key vocab: agility, coordination, teamwork.



French

Bonjour! Salut!
This term we will be focussing on short conversational phrases and how we can use these to create sentences to greet each other and hold basic conversations.

Music

In Music this term we will be looking at the music from the musical Mamma Mia. This will involve learning the structure of songs linked to literacy and the music and styles of the 70s and 80s songs, as well as analysing performances.

VOCAB: Keyboard, electric guitar, bass, drums, improvise, compose, melody, pulse, rhythm,

PSHE/ RSE

This term we will be focussing on feelings and emotions and how to deal with these correctly. We will also be discussing zones of regulations.