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Sheep Spring 1 Curriculum Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back after the Christmas holiday! We do hope you've had a lovely festive time together. Overleaf please find details of what we have planned for Sheep Class this half term. The weather is unpredictable as ever, so please make sure your child has a named coat. We also ask (if you have not already done so) to please send in a pair of wellies that your child can keep at school as our outdoor area can get very muddy!

Please make sure your child has their reading book and record in school every day so we can hear them read and change their book as and when needed. Children will continue to change library books on a Thursday if the old one is returned.

Diary Dates

Last day of Spring 1 term: Friday 10th February 2023

Back to school for Spring 2 term: Monday 20th February 2023

Last day of Spring 2 term: Friday 31st March 2023

Homework

KS1 Homework continues in the same format as last half-term. Children should continue working towards their certificates: Bronze certificate for completing 5 challenges, Silver certificate for completing 10 challenges and a Gold certificate for completing 15 challenges.

We ask that all children read daily to a grown up for at least 5 minutes. It is vitally important for their development that children practise their reading skills at home and we thank you in advance for your support with this.

Tapestry

We will continue to add observations for our Reception children only. If you would like to add any from home please do so. We love to see what children have been up to and it helps us to keep up to date with their hobbies and interests, as well as see how they are continuing their learning at home.

Just One Norfolk

A reminder that 'Just One Norfolk' 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/>



As always, please do catch me on the gate for a quick catch up if needed, or book an appointment through the school office.

With best wishes,

Mrs Walter

English / Phonics

Continuing our story based phonics scheme, 'Story Time Phonics', the children will have lots of opportunities for reading and writing this half term. We will also all be reading 'Last Stop on Market Street' by Matt de la Pena and developing our sentence writing skills. We will then go on to write a non-chronological report linked to our Science unit on animals.

Personal, Social & Emotional Development

We will be supporting your child to become more independent in following daily routines. We will also be encouraging them to explore new areas of interest and develop their new relationships with other children. In circle-time, we will develop team-building techniques and confidence.

Mathematics

KS1 children will be learning to tell the time to the nearest 15 minutes. We will be collecting data to display in a simple chart or graph for comparison. We will solve real world problems with money and everyone will be invited to 'pay' for snack (with play money!). We will continue to embed maths throughout our continuous provision.

Communication and language

We will continue to support children in developing effective communication with their peers through games and a talk-rich environment. Children will also develop their confidence in expressing their ideas in lessons and through play, as well as performing in front of others during our 'Helicopter Stories' sessions. Children will also continue to tell the class about their weekends with Woolly and their Golden Box objects!

Physical Education

Sheep class will continue 'Real PE' on Fridays. Children will also have lots of opportunities to develop their fine and gross motor skills every day during a range of different activities, for example using scissors and a range of different tools in playdough. In addition, we will be doing some yoga sessions and lots of outdoor activities.

Story Focus:



Music / Expressive Arts and Design

Children will learn the song 'In the groove' in different styles. They will verbally appraise music, and begin to recognise the different styles

Key vocab: Styles, Blues, Latin, Folk, Funk, Baroque, Bhangra.

Science / Understanding the world

Sheep class will be learning about classifying, sorting and grouping vertebrate animals. They will use observations to compare and contrast animals and will explore different animal diets

Key vocab: vertebrates, mammals, fish, birds, reptiles, amphibians, diet, herbivores, omnivores, carnivores.

History / Understanding the World

We will be exploring what childhood was like for our grandparents!

Key vocab: timeline, chronology, similarities, differences, artefacts, past, old.

Religious Education

Children will investigate the question:
How does a celebration bring a community together? We will look at Christian and Muslim celebrations.
Key vocab: Lent, Shrove Tuesday, Community, Ramadan, Mawlid al-Nabi, Eid-ul-Fitr.

Art

Painting: We will study the work of Paul Klee among other

Computing /

Geography /

famous artists known for their mastery of watercolours. We will be exploring watercolour and discovering we can use accidental marks to help us make art.

Key vocab: exploration, palette, primary colours, colour mixing.



Understanding the World

Children will continue to become familiar with logging onto Chromebooks and will also be using technology to take photos and edit them. They will learn to enhance their photos using a range of editing tools as well as searching for and adding other images to their projects, resulting in a photo collage showcase.

Key vocab: digital image, app, collage, digital story.

Understanding the World

We will be exploring the question: How are places different in the UK? Children will be comparing North Elmham to London!

Key vocab: city, town, village, landmark, rural, urban, countryside, human, physical.