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Dear Parents,

Learning in Class Avocet Summer 2024

Stratford-upon-Avon

Welcome back to the children for the last term of the year as well as their final term at Danbury Park School. We are looking forward to one that is full of learning, enjoyment and new experiences. At the moment, they are practising and preparing for SATs. It has been explained that these are just a small part of their learning, but they do still need to be done as part of their schooling; they are a way of measuring how they are doing and how they can be supported in the next stage of their learning.

School journey is obviously an exciting prospect for many of the children. We will be doing a lot of preparation for this, so that the children can benefit from it in a productive way.

Reading Challenge

The children will continue on their own reading programme with the intention of completing a reading award. They should be encouraged to read a variety of genres and authors, recording their responses to the books in a selection of ways. I would still recommend regular reading with a suggested aim to read for at least twenty minutes daily.

Reading partners continue this term.

Let's Present

Each Wednesday, children will have the opportunity to do a presentation and this term the focus will be on a famous scientist.

English

At the start of term, the class will be looking at the book "Holes" by Louis Sachar, and work based on this will cover a variety of aspects in English including speaking and listening, reading and writing. There will be character studies, analysis of the text, descriptive and persuasive writing. As part of our preparation for the school journey we shall also be looking at "Macbeth" by William Shakespeare.

Spellings will continue to be set and tested on Mondays.

Maths

We have a few areas left to complete for the Year 6 curriculum for mathematics which includes area and volume and statistics. Following on from the SAT's, the class will continue to practise and consolidating their understanding in mathematics so they are fully prepared for the next stage of their educational journey.

Science

Evolution & Inheritance - Recognising that living things have changed over time and that fossils provide information about living things that inhabited the Earth millions of years ago. We will look at the concept of natural selection and

identify how animals and plants are adapted to suit their environment in different ways and that adaptation may lead to evolution.











Electricity - The class will investigate electric circuits building upon their previous knowledge. They will investigate different circuits recording their findings using recognised symbols. They will use this knowledge in a motorise vehicle DT project.

Sustainability Project – Trees and their impact in the environment.

The last science topic covers health education where the focus will be to learn about the development of puberty, conception and relationships.

Computing

Information Technology: Collect, analyse, evaluate and present data and information.

Programming: Designing, writing and debugging programs that accomplish specific goals.

e-Safety: To be discerning in evaluating digital content

History

Linked to school journey – The life & times of Shakespeare

To identify changes and links both within and across the different times they have studied and explain the reasons for them.

Geography

Name and locate features of Stratford-upon-Avon: rivers, settlements, land use, hills.

Use fieldwork to observe and record the human and physical features in a local area with a focus on the rivers of Chelmsford.

Art and Design

We will look at the futurism art movement and, in particular, the work of Giacomo Balla.

Collage: To create a collage by adding to a painted, printed or drawn background.

Physical Education

Athletics: develop running, throwing and jumping skills Rounders: develop hitting, throwing and bat and ball skills

Religious Education

Christianity – What is the best way for a Christian to show commitment to God? Sikhism - Key Question: What is the best way for a Sikh to show commitment to God?

Personal, Social and Health Education

Physical health and mental wellbeing: What impacts mental health and ways to take care of it; managing change, loss and bereavement; managing time online

Growing and changing: Human reproduction and birth; increasing independence; managing transitions.

Keeping safe: Keeping personal information safe; regulations and choices; drug use and the law; drug use and the media

Finally, should you have any queries about your child's learning, please feel free to arrange to discuss this. Thank you once again for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Marsland









