



It is wonderful to welcome the children to P5. They are already showing their enthusiasm for this term's new learning opportunities.

Literacy

In reading, the children will explore events and characters in fiction, and expand their analysing, questioning and evaluating skills. Our Novel Study provides rich opportunities to further apply these skills. In writing, they will learn to create settings that come to life with appropriate language and detail. We begin with developing settings for a wishing tale genre. Later, we focus on note-taking, organising information and creating informative and instructional texts.

Numeracy/Maths

This term the children will work with a broader range of whole numbers and explore how to read, write and order decimal fractions. They will practise rounding and estimating and apply this to real-life problems and contexts. They will also build on their understanding of time to interpret timetables and calculate durations of events. Number will be embedded across our learning and we will play maths games to consolidate learning.

Learning in other areas of the curriculum.

We are going to be learning about marine biomes and ecosystems as one of our topics this term. We will also be looking at Fairtrade and the voluntary sector. This is an excellent opportunity for the children to link their learning about citizenship and rights and responsibilities. We are enjoying using Chromebooks to support learning in class. As well as using technology to access information and create texts, we will learn about acknowledging and evaluating sources. Throughout the term we will also be learning about how to stay safe online and our own responsibilities as digital citizens.

Health & Wellbeing

In class we use the Zones of Regulation as a common language to discuss and explore tools for emotional self-regulation. We will continue to have regular circle time and opportunities to play and be social with our learning. In PE, the children are developing their agility and movement skills with invasion games. We have begun this term with Rugby, and our learning about the communication, teamwork and tactical skills involved will expand to other invasion games over the term.

Other Information

Homework revises our learning in class and a summary of homework tasks will be posted on the Google Classroom on Monday. Children will be asked to complete reading at home, with pages recorded in their reading record. Books should be brought back to school every day as there will be time in class to read. There will also be a numeracy and spelling task. PE this term is on Wednesdays and Fridays. Please ensure your child brings plenty of water and a healthy snack every day.

We look forward to supporting your child's learning throughout this term. Please keep an eye on Seesaw and the Google Classroom for news, updates and examples of work your child is particularly proud to share with you. Thank you, Mrs Richard and Mrs G-C.