

Week commencing 30.10.23

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! We hope everyone had a great half term! During the last week of term the children had great fun, making their own Supertatoe and wrote a description about him. The children have also enjoyed creating their own Pablo Picasso inspired portraits.

Our new topic for this half term is 'Celebrating Me - Festivals and Celebrations', this will include learning about special celebrations leading up to Christmas as well as looking at toys from the past in history.

English: This week we will be reading the story 'Sparks in the Sky' and will be writing our own captions. We will be talking about the difference between questions and statements and will be learning to punctuate correctly.

Phonics: We will continue to review phase 5 sounds and will recap au (pause), ey (money), a_e and e_e.

History: We will be learning about Guy Fawkes and why we celebrate Bonfire Night and we will also be introducing our history topic 'Toys from the Past'. Children will have an opportunity to share one of their favourite toys with their class on Friday for "Show and Tell"; please make sure you do not send in any valuable items.

Maths: We will continue to focus on addition using the + and = symbols and will be introducing word problems.

Science: We will be looking at the changes in the weather during the autumn seasons and will be talking about changes we have come across so far e.g getting colder so we are wearing our hats and gloves.

DT: We will learn about moving pictures and will be making our own sliding pictures.

PSHE: This week we will be looking at differences that might not be visible, for example, likes, hobbies, etc. We will discuss how our differences make us unique and that it is okay for everybody to be different.

At home you could:

- Please continue to read with your child for 10 minutes every day and remember to also write in their reading records.
- Continue recapping the phonics sounds using the booklets at the back of your reading records.
- Create your own 3D firework pictures using different coloured items in the house.
- Research about Guy Fawkes and create your own fact file about him.

Diary Dates:

Tuesday 31st October 2023 - Start of Autumn 2 Half Term

Wednesday 1st October 2023 - Individual School Photographs

Wednesday 1st October - FoML Pumpkin Display

Friday 3rd October 3.00 pm - FoML Cake Sale in the playground and Pre-loved Uniform Email and Collect Day

Monday 6th November 2023 - Toys from the Past Workshop

PE:

All classes - Multi-sports every Thursday morning

Class PE will start again from week commencing 6/11/23

Monday - Squirrel Class

Tuesday - Hedgehog Class

Wednesday - Fox Class

Library:

Children will be visiting the library once a week and will be able to borrow a book. We ask that their library book is in their book bag so that they can change it on their library day.

Tuesday- Fox Class

Wednesday- Squirrel Class

Friday- Hedgehog Class

Notices:

Hedgehog and Squirrel class still need 3 more parent helpers for our walk to the Signature Care Home. If you are available in the morning on 28th November (Squirrel class and Fox class) or 29th November (Hedgehogs class and Fox class) then please let your class teacher know.

Thank you
The Year 1 team