

Elder Class – Grow with the Flow (Autumn 1, 2021)

English

In English this half term, Elder Class will be looking at Voices in the Park (Anthony Browne) and The Tin Forest (Helen Ward).

In guided reading, we will be reading Leaf (Sandra Dieckmann). Later in the half term, we will read The Elephant's Garden (Jane Ray).

Our grammar focus this half term will include word classes, sentence structure and fronted adverbials.

Supporting learning at home

Finding time to read with your child for just a few minutes each day will be hugely beneficial in developing their love of reading and their understanding of texts. Reading diaries should be brought into school each day and I will check the comments every Thursday.

Spelling and times table tests will take place on Friday each week. Children will be given spelling sheets and a set of times tables on Monday each week to take home and practice.

Feel free to contact me with any queries on Elderclass@chestertonprimary.org. You can also find class updates on our twitter page at @CPSElder.

Maths

In Maths, we will start the half term focussing on securing place value knowledge for numbers up to 1000. Later in the half term, we will move onto addition and subtraction, including using formal methods to add and subtract 3-digit numbers.

Science – What is the most important part of a flower?

Across our Science lessons we will be looking at the functions of different parts of flowering plants as well as the life cycle of plants. Additionally, we will explore the requirements for plant life through growing our own plants.

Geography – Will you ever see the water you drink again?

In Geography we will be focussing on the use of water, including the water cycle and water treatment. We will also look at the use of other natural resources and the impact this has on our environment.

Art – Which artist painted flowers the best?

This half term we will be focussing on our painting skills and experimenting with different styles of painting. We will look at how different artists represent flowers in their work and consider who painted flowers the best.

PE

PE will take place every Thursday afternoon. Children will need to bring their PE kit into school, including sensible shoes. Earrings also need to be removed for PE lessons.

Spanish

We will begin learning Spanish this half term.

Music

In music we will be learning and performing *Let Your Spirits Fly*.

RE

This half term we will be focussing on Sikhism in RE. We will be investigating the question "*Does joining the Khalsa make a person a better Sikh?*"

Computing

In Computing, Year 3 will be learning about coding.

PSHE

We will be focussing on Rights, Rules and Responsibilities this half term.