













Earith Primary School: Curriculum Newsletter



Class: Jeffers Yr1 Term: Summer 1

English:

We will begin by reading, *A Seed is Sleepy* and using this beautiful book to retrieve information about seed dispersal and growth. We will write our own informative sentences about dandelion and sycamore seeds. We will produce further writing about plants linked to *A Tiny Seed.* Across the half term, we will write about our own first-hand experiences, including collecting and planting seeds and tasting fruit.

Maths:

We will be learning about money this half term: recognising coins and counting groups of 2p, 5p and 10p coins. We will also deepen our understanding of numbers by exploring odds, evens, doubles and halves and using this knowledge to complete equations. We will then move onto furthering our understanding of numbers to 20.

Science:

In Science this half term, our topic is plants. We will be looking at what plants need to survive and naming and labelling parts of plants. We will learn that plants spread seeds to make new plants as well as looking at the plants we eat. We will also learn that some trees are evergreen and some are deciduous.

Geography:

In Geography, we will be learning about the seven continents. Using globes and world maps, we will locate continents, oceans, poles and the equator line. We will learn about the diversity of different continents. Finally, we will learn that Europe is one of the world's seven continents and find out about its climate.

Religious Education:

In RE, we will consider the big question 'why is the world special?' We will learn about the views and teachings of different religions and also give our own view point.

PSHE:

To begin the half term, we will be looking at loss, change and the associated emotions. We will look at why friendships might change; changes that we cannot control and changes in our own lives.

During Healthy Week, we will consider ways we can look after our bodies and stay healthy. We will explore the factors that contribute towards a healthy lifestyle, including diet, physical activity and rest.

This term, we will also be continuing our fortnightlyschool council discussions.

Art:

Our topic in Art this half term is 'Paintings of Children'. We will learn about the hidden messages within Hogarth's group portrait, *The Graham Children*. We will copy small sections of the painting using watercolours. Then, we will study Bruegel's painting *Children's Games*, sketching manikins in different poses. We will also sketch children playing from direct observation.

PE:

In PE lessons, we will be developing different techniques when sprinting and running longer distances. We will refine our technique when throwing under arm and over arm.

Music:

In Music, we will focusing on music from the British Isles, specifically folk music. We will learn that folk music has often been sung for generations and is often inspired by the land and seascapes of Great Britain. We will be using our voices and our bodies to make our own piece of folk music.

Computing:

In Computing, we will be learning what machine learning is and how it enables computers to make predictions. We will learn that loops in programming are certain instructions that are repeated multiple times.

Big Questions for the Half Term:

Science: What do plants need to survive? Geography: Why are the continents so diverse?

RE: Why is the world special?

PSHE: What is change and how can I manage it? Art: What can this painting tell us about the past?

PE: How can I pace myself for a longer race? How can I throw effectively?

Music: What body parts can I use to make a folk song?

Computing: How do computer algorithms help us in everyday life?

Big Vocabulary for the Half Term:

Science: Plant, root, stem, leaves, seeds, deciduous, evergreen Geography: Earth, continent, ocean, globe, North Pole, South Pole, equator, diverse RE: Bile, Old Testament, New Testament, Genesis, steward, Buddhist, Buddha, peace, dana, karma, metta, Muslim, Allah, Prophet Muhammad, Qur'an, Khalifah.

PSHE: loss, change, emotion, feeling, reunited, uncomfortable, friendship, choice, healthy, lifestyle, exercise, diet, physical activity, rest.

Art: artist, luxury, wealth, message, past, pose, Hogarth, Bruegel, watercolour PE: Sprint, techniques, pump, speed, pace, distance, track, lane, finishing line. Music: composition, duration, dynamics, inspiration, pitch, structure, tempo, texture Computing: Abstraction, algorithm, artificial intelligence, bug, data, error

Other Information:

Children can wear outdoor PE kits to school on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Forest Fridays: please ensure your child has suitable clothes to change into for this. They will need their arms and legs covered, whatever the weather, so long sleeved top, trousers and suitable footwear is essential. On cold or wet Fridays, please make sure your child has a suitable coat and wellies.

Don't forget to hear your child read every day.

Thursday 9th May: Y1/2 trip to Ramsey Heights Nature Reserve Monday 20th May: Healthy Week starts Friday 24th May: Sports Day