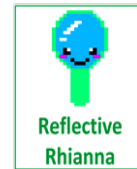




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Earith Primary School: Curriculum Newsletter



Class: Riddell
Term: Autumn 1

English:

This half-term we will be reading *The Bad Guys* by Alan Blabey and *Ottoline and the Yellow Cat* by Chris Riddell. We will develop our writing skills to include a range of punctuation and grammar techniques to create narratives, reports and descriptive pieces. We will also study poetry by Tony Mitton to understand how rhythm and rhyme can be used for effect.

Maths:

In Maths, children will begin by securing understanding of place value for numbers up to 100, 1000 and 10,000. Children will use this knowledge to support addition and subtraction, using the column method and bridging techniques to add and subtract 2, 3 and 4 digit numbers. We will practise the four operations daily and continue to access the mastery curriculum through reasoning and word problems.

Science:

Children will learn about the human body in Science this half-term, with a particular focus on the systems of the human body. We will find out about voluntary and involuntary muscles, discover how our skeletal system supports us, and learn how our teeth, stomach and intestines combine to digest food.

History:

In History, we are learning about changes in Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age. Children will gain an understanding of what life was like at different stages during pre-history, including how living conditions, tools and food changed throughout the 10,000 year period studied.

Religious Education:

In RE, children will gain an understanding of how people in our community celebrate their faiths and beliefs, and identify the similarities and differences between religions. Children will learn how people of different religions can express their faith at home and within a place of worship.

PSHE:

This half-term, our focus for PSHE is rights and responsibilities. We will be considering the difference between wants and needs, and discovering some of the rights that people have in this country. Children will learn how responsibilities and rules are used to ensure that rights are upheld, and understand the importance of democratic discussion.

Art:

In Art this half-term, we will be deepening our understanding of how line is used in sketches. We will be studying artists, including Hokusai, Moore and da Vinci, and observing how line has been used in their most famous artworks to different effects.

PE:

Outdoor PE this term will be on a Monday, and will focus on striking and fielding a ball. Children will learn how fielding and batting tactics are used in cricket and apply them to small-sided games. Indoor PE takes place on a Friday, and will look at balance and movement in gymnastics.

Music:

In Music, children will be listening to music from South Africa in order to develop their rhythmic, singing and notation skills. Children will learn basic staff notation and use this to play tuned instruments.

Computing:

In Computing, we will be discovering how we are connected to others in the digital world, and gain an understanding of how computers are connected to each other. Children will understand what a website is, how we can use the internet in daily life, and how to stay safe online.

Big Questions for the Half Term:

- How do the systems of our body keep us alive?
- How did Britain change between the Stone Age and the Iron Age?
- How do people in our community celebrate their faith?
- What are our rights and responsibilities?
- How can we use line in our artwork?
- How are computers connected to each other?
- How can I improve my accuracy when fielding and striking?

Big Vocabulary for the Half Term:

Science: muscles, skeleton, digestive system, nervous system, nutrition
History: Paleolithic, Mesolithic, Neolithic, henge, artefact

RE: Community, Diversity, Culture, Pilgrimage, Worship
PSHE: Right, Convention, Responsibility, Respect, Democracy
Art: Line, Sketch, Form, Print, Weight
PE: Fielding, Striking, Long Barrier, Tactics
Music: Notation, Minims, Semibreves, Crotchet, Rest
Computing: Connection, Internet, Website, Network

Other Information:

PE days this term are:

Monday – Outdoor

Friday – Indoor

13th September: **Roald Dahl Day** – wear something yellow.