Thames Class

Class Welcome

Thames year has started well. We have welcomed back old friends and some of our friends have moved on to new classes, we wish them well!

We have been working hard to develop a arrange of skills this term. During ASDAN we have been practising our social skills engaging in games together, taking turns with support and many more activities organised by the adults or chosen by us.



Literacy and Communication

This term in Literacy and Communication Thames class have been working on listening to and following instructions in a variety of activities. This learning is important for us to develop as it involves interpreting different sounds, while beginning to understand social interactions. It is also integral to helping us stay safe.



Maths

This term in Maths, Thames class have been learning about the Properties of Number, colour sorting and shapes. This has been done through number songs, object placement, making groups of up to three objects and sorting different coloured objects. This learning is important for us as it aids our understanding and ability to recognise numbers which will then help us compare, measure, order, create and explore patterns, which is valuable for problem-solving skills.



Physical





Autum term in Thames class for PE has focused on developing our fundamental skills, this has included following instructions to complete circuits which involved us having to move our bodies in different ways. We are now continuing to develop these skills in gymnastics. It is important for us to learn these skills as they help us develop flexibility, strength and to have good coordination.

Topic

Our topic this term has been focused on Oceans. Our focus text is Lighthouse Keepers' Lunch which we followed on in art by working on a range of techniques to produce our display board. During this we learnt about the different animals and different habitats. During our learning we looked at how to keep our environments clean and how important it is to tidy up after ourselves in all environments.



During RE our learning has focused on Judaism and Christianity which has given our pupils an understanding of the different symbols, buildings, stories and important people in these faiths. This learning will help our pupils have a better understanding of a range of faiths that are followed around the world and allow our pupils to be more tolerant of other people's views and opinions.

During our wellbeing sessions we have been taking part in activities that support our physical, mental and social wellbeing such as foot spa's and taking part in activities that we enjoy.



Notable News

Thames class have worked hard this term developing their social and communication skills. They continue to work on their feelings and how to communicate them in a more functional way. It has not all been about hard work, we did have time to have fun at the Presidents Charity Christmas Party and represented the school fantastically.



Thames class was lucky to have the visiting librarian in, she told a wonderful story about the seasons and celebrations within the seasons.



Upcoming Events

Monday 6th January 2025 – INSET Day (No pupils on site)

Tuesday 7th January 2025 – Pupils return to school

Wednesday 29th January 2025 – Rocksteady Music Workshops for pupils

Friday 7th February – NSPCC Number Day (more information to follow)

Monday 17th February – Friday 21st February 2025 – HALF TERM HOLIDAY

Monday 24th February 2025 – Pupils return to school

Thursday 6th March 2025 – World Book Day (more information to follow)

Friday 15th March 2025 – Red Nose Day (more information to follow)

Friday 4th April 2025 – Early finish for pupils

Monday 7th April – Monday 21st April 2025 – EASTER HOLIDAY

Tuesday 22nd April 2025 – Pupils return to school

Have a wonderful Christmas and we wish you all a Happy New Year!