



SHENSTONE LODGE SCHOOL – CURRICULUM OVERVIEW – AUTUMN 2

CLASS: Cyclops

CLASS TEACHER: Mrs A Payne

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It is proven that children make accelerated rates of progress when they talk about their learning/learn with their parents or carers. To enable this we are providing you with information about what the children are learning and what they may need to prepare/practice at home.



SCHOOL THEME: FRIENDSHIPS



English – this includes reading, writing, phonics, grammar, punctuation, speaking and listening

This half term, the children will be writing poems about snow and then they will explore the genre of mystery and suspense. We will examine a passage of a story that is filled with mystery and suspense and identify what techniques have been used to make it. We will then recreate our own.

To help improve our writing, we will also be focusing on:

- Handwriting style and correct formation of letters
- Editing skills to improve our written work
- Using apostrophes correctly to show omission and possession
- Using a thesaurus to build a growing range of vocabulary to use within our work
- Adverbs
- Prepositions



Maths – this includes learning about using maths in real life situations

This half term in maths we will:

- learn our multiplication and division facts for the 3, 4 and 8 times tables.
- investigate the inverse relationship between multiplication and division.
- learn that multiplication of two numbers can be done in any order.
- solve problems involving multiplication and division using arrays, multiplication grids, mental methods and expanded and formal written methods.
- compare intervals of time.
- estimate and read time with increasing accuracy to the nearest minute.
- know the number of seconds in a minute and the number of days in each month, year and leap year.
- recognise, find, name and write fractions for a third, quarter, half and three quarters.
- write simple fractions eg: $\frac{1}{2}$ of 6 = 3.
- write fractions of a set of objects eg: $\frac{1}{4}$ of 8 = 2.



Science

Light and Shadows. We will

- identify how we see objects.
- recognise light travels in straight lines.
- investigate reflection.
- find out how shadows are formed.
- be able to explain that objects are seen because they give out or reflect light into the eye.

Cornerstones

Our topic this half term will be '**Global Food**' which is a unit with a focus on Design and Technology. We will give the children a chance to discover a diverse choice of food from around the world. We will learn where food comes from and then use some basic cooking skills to create a chocolate bar with preferred fruits from around the world.

Computing

We are Publishers. In this unit the children will create an eBook retelling the story of a famous book including illustrations that they will create themselves using Brushes.



PSHE/SMSC/Citizenship

Physical Exercise

Our theme this term is **Friendships**. We will be looking at the characteristics of a good friend, recognising that people can have different opinions and understanding why it is important for us to work together using qualities such as forgiveness and empathy.

Your child will take part in a range of physical activities, which may include football and football. There will also be a range of extra -curricular sports activities available at lunchtime.

RE

Have a go at home

In RE, we will be looking at the Christmas story and the beliefs that some people have regarding this festival and looking more closely at 'What is Christmas?' and how people prepare for Christmas?

If your child has a go at anything at home then please feel free to send Shifa photographs or information. Shifa.kamaly@shenstonelodge.co.uk

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