



Ks1 Autumn Newsletter

Welcome back

Welcome to a new school year, we have a lot planned for this term and the rest of the year! The children have had a fantastic start back to the new year, they have settled into routine well and are showing their enthusiasm to learn which is brilliant!

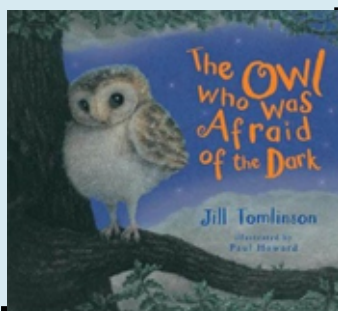
In English..

We will be kick starting our writing lessons with the story Troll Swap by Leigh Hodgkinson. We will write a story and focus on:

Y1: joining words using and, capital letters for names of people and 'I'

Y2: using expanded noun phrases, use subordination (because) and co-ordination (and).

We will then move onto The Owl who was afraid of the dark by Jill Tomlinson. We will write a fact sheet about owls.



Important Dates:

September 9:

RWI Phonics meetings

September 17/18 19:

Trip to Ironbridge - Black Country Museum

September 20:

Parent Meeting 2.45pm

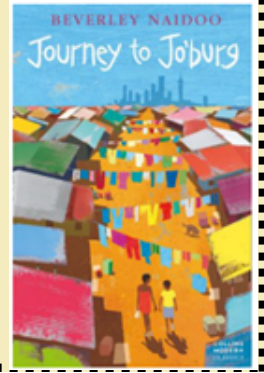
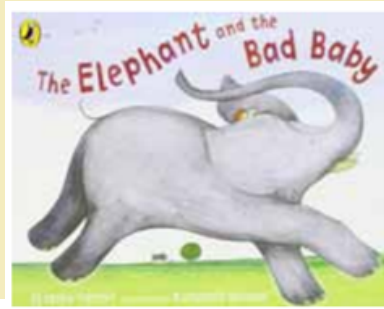
September 23:

Clubs and Interventions start

October 25:

Outcome Afternoon - parents welcome

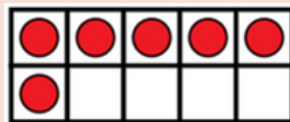
Stories that we will be reading together in class..



In Maths..

We will be focusing on number. Year 1 will look at numbers within 10 and 20 and Year 2 will look at numbers within 100. When the children fully understand numbers showing different representations, they will move onto adding and subtracting numbers.

We will use lots of concrete resources such as; tens frame, base 10, numicon, rekenreks.



In History..

We will look at changes within living memory and observe how our families have changed over time and how we have changed over time (we will be asking the children to bring in baby / toddler photographs into school). As well as this, we will explore how the Royal Family and transport have changed over time. We will visit the Ironbridge Bridge museum and look at what schools used to look like and how transport has changed over time.

We will also be looking at the Great Fire of London. We will study the causes of the fire and what changes there are today because of it.

In Science..

We will be learning about the classification of animals. We will classify and sort reptiles, mammals, fish and amphibians. The children will use scientific skills such as prediction and predict what the animals eat by looking at their habitat. The children will learn to record and present data (we will be asking for photographs of any pets).



In PE..

The children will be focussing on multi-sports and Gymnastics. PE will be on:

Year 1: Wednesday

Year 1/2: Wednesday

Year 2: Friday

Children are to come to school in their PE kits.

In Art..

We will be painting like Claude Monet. To do this we will be looking at primary, secondary and tertiary colours and using these to decide the colours in our paintings. The children will experiment with tools and techniques, including layering, mixing media and scraping through.

In DT ...

We will be practising our cooking skills. We will be making soup. The children will recognise the difference between fruit and vegetables. They will design, make and evaluate a healthy soup. They will learn how to use a range of utensils such as: a knife, peeler and grater.

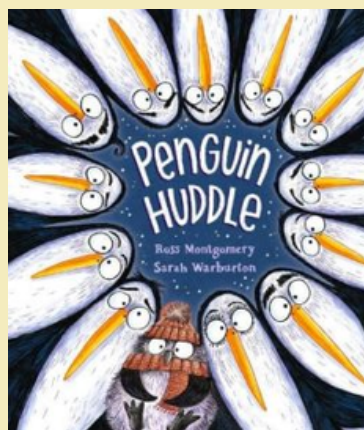
In Computing..

The children will cover the following units: Online Safety, Effective searching, Lego building and spreadsheets. The children will use a programme called Purple Mash.

Recommended Reads...



The Tunnel
Anthony Browne



There are more recommended reads and tips on how to help your child read in the Parent Advice Booklets: Helping your child read at home.