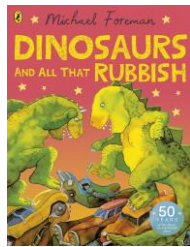




Chestnut Newsletter

In **English** this half term we will be focussing on the text **Dinosaurs and all that Rubbish**. From this text children will create non-fiction pamphlets about how to look after the planet.



In **Maths** this half term we will be focussing on **addition and subtraction within 100** and a recap on **properties of 2D and 3D shapes**.

In **Phonics** year 1 children will continue to learn phase 5 sounds. Weekly home learning sheets will be sent to support this. Year 2 children will begin to complete the Little Wandle spelling programme through daily spelling sessions.



Reading

Children will continue to read their reading book three times a week in class. This book will then be sent home on a Wednesday and collected in again on a Monday so the book can be changed. Once the book has been read three times in school it will then be sent home again on a Wednesday. The three reads in class will focus on decoding, prosody and comprehension. Please comment in your child's home learning book when you listen to them read.

Homework

Homework will continue to be sent half termly. A homework grid will be sent home with 9 different activities for you to choose. It is expected you complete at least **3** different activities throughout the half term. This can be evidenced in your child's homework book, or an image can be emailed through to ewilkinson@thornton-in-craven.n-yorks.sch.uk. We will share any homework images or work with the class when it has been completed so, please let me know when you have completed a task. We will also display homework achievements on our homework display board!

Geography

Our unit of work this half term will be focussed on **'Coasts'**. We will learn about the human and physical features of coasts and how the weather can affect the coastline.



Art and Design

Our focus in DT this half term will be **'Pouches'** where children will have the opportunity to develop their sewing skills by using a running stitch to create a multi-purpose pouch.

Science

In Science this half term will be focussing on **'Plants'**. Children will name a range of plants and trees and their parts.

PSHE

Our theme this half term will be 'Feelings'. We will discuss a range of feelings and how we can manage these successfully.

RE

Our key question in RE this half term **'Who is a Christian and what do they believe?'**. We will find out lots about the Christian religion and how this compares with other religions.

Computing

We will complete the unit **'Grouping and Sorting'** and **'Spreadsheets'** using PurpleMash to support us.

PE

PE will take place on a **Thursday and Friday** with a focus on dance.



Water Bottles

Please can you check your child has a working water bottle in school. If not, please can you send one in.