

Dartmoor Class (KS2) - Autumn Termly Overview 2020

History

Our History topic for this Autumn Term will investigate the role of The Victorians in shaping the modern world.

We will make comparisons between Present Day and the Victorian era using ICT to research and present our findings.

English:

Autumn term will be a "back to basics" sequence for the children. There will be a strong focus on handwriting, how to write correctly structured sentences and we will revisit the "non-negotiables" of writing, ie. Capital letters, full stops, connectives etc.

There is an expectation that children read at least 5 times per week at home and in-class reading sessions will be incorporated as part of our Guided Reading sessions. **Reading with your child is one of the most important things you can do at home.**

Science:

In this Autumn term science unit, we will be focussing on Sound. Children will explore how sound are made, how sound travels through a medium to the ear and find patterns between the pitch of a sound and the features of the object that produced it.

Children will explore and identify the way sound is made through vibration in a range of musical instruments and investigate sounds made by different objects together with experimenting with insulation against sound.

RESILIENCE



Art / DT:

Within our Art and Design Technology topic work we will be working with textiles and the skill of sewing. We will explore the work of Louise Baldwin, an artist who designs with a range of materials and textiles.

Numeracy:

We will be re-visiting and consolidating our existing Maths knowledge after our lengthy time away from the classroom. Our initial learning will focus on the importance of Number and Place Value to ensure that the foundation of maths and number are secure.

Children will investigate Number through the use of manipulatives, images, using and developing calculations and explaining their reasoning to develop their mastery of mathematical concepts.

There will be a strong focus on learning their times tables up to 12 x 12 and later in the term, we will work on the inverse operation of division.

SMSC/PSHE

Our PSHE and SMSC lessons in Autumn will focus on children's well-being and mental health in these unusual times. We will encourage children to discuss their feelings or concerns and explore a wide range of language to allow children to effectively verbalise their emotions in a secure environment.

This approach will be ongoing across the whole school.

As we return to school in these unusual times, we, as a Teaching Team are very mindful of the challenges, expectations and anxieties that the children returning to Boasley Cross may be experiencing. We believe that in providing children with a positive approach to well-being, high expectations of behaviour and attitudes to learning, together with our desire to keep children safe will ensure a smooth transition back into school. Thank you for your on-going support in your child's learning.

Physical Education:

The benefits of physical activity as a tool to support children's health and wellbeing, both physically and emotionally continues to be vitally important. We will provide children with HIIT sessions as well as working on co-ordination and footwork, dynamic balance to agility through the game of Basketball.