

Milesmark Primary School Term 3 January to April

Learning Overview for Primary 2/3/4

Literacy

WRITING:

Primary 2/3/4 will be learning all about factual writing and be able to use headings, subheadings and paragraphs for creating their own leaflets, news reports and fact files.

They will also be learning how to use capital letters for proper nouns. They will be working on their editing skills this term too. The class will continue to develop their use of VCOP in their writing. We will continue to develop handwriting skills through fine motor activities and letter formation tasks.

SPELLING & PHONICS:

They will continue to learn to use their understanding of phonics to sound out to write independently. The Primary 2/3/4s will continue to have a new spelling rule each week to learn in school and at home through homework and we will do a range of both active, creative and written activities to learn these. This term we will also focus on common words.

READING:

Primary 2/3/4 will continue working on their reading throughout the term at appropriate levels from ORT reading books to chapter books. We will also be reading 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory' as our class novel this term and complete literacy workshop challenges on this including true or false quizzes, ordering, skimming and scanning, summarising, finding evidence as reading detectives!

LISTENING & TALKING:

The class will have many opportunities to develop their listening and talking skills through group work and cooperative learning. They will work on their presenting, listening and questioning skills each Friday during show and tell time. They will also learn to share factual information from their own research to the rest of the class by showing their leaflets and newspaper reports and turning these into news broadcasts!

Numeracy and Mathematics

NUMERACY:

In number we will be starting with multiplication. The class will learn to multiply using repeat addition, skip counting, patterns, arrays and columns. Some children will develop this learning onto solving problems. We will then move onto division and learn to divide using our understanding of multiplication and using groups, sets and the inverse to find our answers. We will also be playing lots of times tables games to learn and revise our 2, 3, 4, 5 and 10 times tables.

MATHEMATICS:

The maths focus this term will be TIME. The class will be learning about seconds, minutes, hours, days, months and years. They will also be learning to use analogue clocks for half past, quarter to and past and jumping up in 5s around the clock. They will also compare this to using a digital clock. Some children may be introduced to 24-hour time.

MATHEMATICAL VOCABULARY:

Primary 2/3/4 will build up their use of mathematical vocabulary linked to their number and maths topics this term. All the vocabulary learned (for example: lots, times, multiply, groups product, multiplication, array, divide, share, seconds, minutes, hours, analogue, half past, quarter past, quarter to etc) will all be visible on our class learning walls to support us with the varying

Health and Wellbeing

Mrs B - We will be learning all about Scottish Country Dancing this term on the lead up to Burns Day. We will focus on our ability to sequence together and remember routines and our timing and movement.

We will continue to focus on our emotions and will continue to use our cosy corner, emotion works and emotions books to help us. We will also focus on our Eco Target (Marine Pollution) in our HWB time this term. Later in the term we will also be learning about healthy foods.

Outdoor Learning/Play

The class enjoy an opportunity to play, explore and learn in the school garden.

The class have opportunities for free play at our skills areas (art, construction, home corner, role play, reading corner etc) around the classroom each day to develop their communication skills and give them opportunities to expand their skill set in an area that they enjoy.

Our Topic will be... ANCIENT EGYPT

The class will be learning all about ancient artefacts and how to look for evidence which can be trusted. They will be learning about mapping and the importance of the River Nile. They will learn how societal hierarchy influenced Ancient Egypt and how people lived their lives in these times as well as creating a timeline of events. They will learn about the Gods and Goddesses of the time as well as the importance of mummification, hieroglyphs, and pyramids. There will be opportunities for STEAM challenges, through modelling and their own research of factual books and websites.

Additional Information

PE Days - Every Tuesday between break and lunch. French and RME - Mrs Loban will take the class for these subjects every second Thursday morning.

Homework - This will go out on a Wednesday afternoon and is due back on a Monday morning. Each week there will always be spelling and reading to complete and literacy and numeracy will alternate week by week. If you are looking for additional homework, any additional reading for enjoyment and timetable practise can also be recommended. Sumdog logins are always available too.

Reading Days

Mondays - Elephants, Giraffes and Rhinos Mondays and Wednesdays - Eagles Mondays and Thursdays - Tigers