

Pendeen

Curriculum Newsletter Autumn 2nd Half term 2022

Staff:

Mrs Wilton (Class Teacher)
Mrs Maker (Teaching Assistant)

Homework and Reading:

Homework to be handed out daily, it will be the phonic sound of the day. This will give the children an opportunity to practice writing the sounds they have learnt in school. Please also ensure that your child is reading daily. Reading books will be changed twice a week on a Monday and a Friday. Re-read each book more than once, this will enable your child to familiarise themselves with the story and to confidently re-tell the story to you. The reading books will not have words in at this stage. You can help by talking about the characters and setting and encouraging your child to respond to questions and make a narrative to describe the pictures. Your child will also be bringing home blending books, this will be changed in line with the sounds that children learn in Read, Write Inc. Please keep reading those bedtime stories with your children, it really does help them to develop a love of reading.

'Children are made readers on the laps of their parents'

Emilie Buchurald

Thank you for your continued support.

Our new topic is...



Maths:

This term we will learn to:

- Learn number songs to help us count
- Continue to learn the days of the week
- Chant to 10 and begin to chant to 20
- Represent and compare numbers to 3
- Understand composition of numbers to 3
- Learn about 2 dimensional shapes
- Explore and develop positional language

Literacy:

The children will continue to have daily phonics lessons using the Read Write Inc. programme where they will learn how to read and write sounds and words. In literacy children will be focusing on a different story each week. The stories will be a mix of traditional tales, adventure books and classic children's cartoons. Children will be learning new vocabulary linked to the stories that they are learning. Children will draw pictures linked to the story and will start to add sounds, then words and eventually will move on to writing sentences.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development:

The whole school value for this half term is 'Compassion'. The children will learn what compassion means and to be able to recognise situations where compassion has been shown. We will link the value to a bible story.

We will have weekly circle time, this term we will be focusing on celebrating differences. Children will discuss how everyone has a different house, family and friends, children will learn to understand that being different makes us all special.

Communication and Language:

The children will learn how to respond to what they hear with relevant questions, comments. They will participate in small group, class and one-to-one discussions, offering their own ideas, using recently introduced vocabulary. Children will use and understand recently introduced vocabulary during discussions about stories, non-fiction, rhymes and poems and during role-play

Physical Development:

The children will have weekly PE lessons, this half term the focus will be on gymnastics. Children have plenty of access to the outdoors every day, this helps the children to develop good physical skills in all areas of physical development. Children will continue to work on their fine motor skills, strength in their fingers to aid in their pencil grips for writing.

<u>Understanding the World:</u>

In the Marvellous Machines project, your child will learn about technology that is part of their daily lives. They will explore various machines, learn about how machines help us and find out about how machines have changed and developed over time. They will learn about products that use electricity to make them work and explore magnetic and non-magnetic materials.

Expressive Art & Design:

All children will have weekly music lessons where they will learn to find the pulse of the music, explore high and low pitch and play single notes on an instrument. We will provide an adult led art sessions linked to the topic giving the children opportunities to learn new skills. They will make models using their own ideas and a variety of mediums in their play. The children will be learning and performing songs for our nativity play.

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The theme for the second half of the autumn term is 'Incarnation' and the children will learn about the Christmas story. Children will participate in whole school daily collective worships and will perform a nativity play.

<u>Please ensure your child has their book bag, water bottle and coat in school every day. On Wednesday children need to arrive in their PE kit. Thank you.</u>