

Ashfield Valley Primary School Year 1 Summer 2 Newsletter

English

In English, our work will link to the History topic of the non-fiction story - The Wright Brothers. The children should now be confident using the correct punctuation and grammar in their sentences and will work towards developing their independence at writing complete sentences. The children will also be using a wide range of vocabulary linked to fictional stories.



Mathematics

In Maths, the children will work with larger numbers and develop their reasoning and problem-solving skills linked to place value, addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. We will be looking at time and learning to tell the time to the hour and half past the hour. We will also continue to look at $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{1}{4}$ as part of fractions. It is important the children continue to practise their number bonds to 10 and 20, as well as their times tables.



Science

This term, the children will begin developing their understanding of plants. They will learn to identify and name common garden plants, wild flowers and trees. They will also identify the basic structure of trees.



Religious Education

In R.E, we will recap our learning on Christianity and Islam. We will also learn about their places of worship and why it is important.



Dear Parents/Carers,

Here is your curriculum newsletter for this half term. This newsletter will give you an idea of all of the different things that we will be doing. A few reminders:

- Please ensure children bring their reading books to school every day.
- Please read with your child daily as this helps them with practising blending and segmenting for reading.
- Children will be getting spellings every week. Please help your child to learn these as we will be having a test on Thursday and this will support them in developing their writing.
- P.E. will still be on a Tuesday this half term. Please make sure your child has a P.E. kit that includes either pumps or trainers.
- In Maths, it is important that the children continue to learn basic number skills. If you could continue to practise counting forwards, backwards to 100, number bonds to 20 and the 2, 5 and 10 times table, this will really help your child to progress.
- The knowledge organisers sent home with this letter are to allow the children to learn facts at home alongside what they learn in school. These can be referred back to throughout the half term.

Thank you for your continuous support,
Mrs Ward, Mrs Strudwick and Mrs Mines.



History and Geography

In History, we will be making links to the book 'The Wright Brothers' and learn how the first flight changed the world. We will learn about the Rainhill Trials and why they were important. We will also begin to understand the importance of aeroplanes and what it used to look like before and compare them to modern aircrafts.



Art / Design & Technology

In Art we will be looking at work by Van Gogh and they will be drawing and painting sunflowers. They will learn to use different brushes and create effects. We will develop our colour mixing skills by learning about primary and secondary colours.



Computing

In computing, we will be learning about spreadsheets on Purple Mash. The children will learn to navigate around a spreadsheet in different elements and develop their technical skills. We will also be learning about technology and understand the range of technology we use in and out of school. This allows the children to understand other forms of communication and the ways that technology can be used as a solution to a specific problem.



Physical Education

In PE, we will be doing striking and fielding games and learning the skills involved in holding and striking a ball as well as chasing and scooping a ball. There will also be plenty of opportunities to take part in outdoor learning.