

Summer Term 2014

Sandringham Class Newsletter

Welcome back after the Easter break.

This term in literacy we will be looking at non-fiction; including information texts and persuasive writing. We will also be looking at imaginary settings and stories from other cultures for our work on fiction. Spellings will continue to be set weekly.

In numeracy we will continue with times tables. We will look at extending number sequences including those involving decimals. Written methods of calculation for: addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, including division with remainders. We will develop known number facts and use these to extend to calculating adding and subtracting 10, 100 and 1000 and also doubles and halves of multiples of 10 and 100. Also we will use data collection to interpret and analyse tables and charts and explore how using different scales alters graphical representations. Measuring will involve choosing and using standard metric units (kilo, centi, milli). We will revisit how to measure and compare angles and calculating and comparing area and perimeter. 3D shapes will be explored through models, visual representations and nets of solid shapes.

Our science topic this term is Living Things, including living and non living things; animals, plants and the oxygen cycle and food chains.

Our main topic will be based around Wells-next-The-Sea. We will consider how Wells developed as a port and how holiday-trade benefits the town as well as how the offshore wind-farm contributes to the town. We will consider the floods of 1953 and how erosion can alter the coastline. Landmarks of Wells will be researched and we will make posters to encourage visitors and write postcards about taking a holiday there. We will also look at the contrasting artwork of local artists James McCallum and Brian Lewis.

To extend this topic we are also arranging a visit to Wells to explore the town and quay.

Swimming lessons will continue to be on Wednesday afternoons at Gresham's School pool, this is for the developing swimmers. The rest of the class will benefit from an added PE session on Wednesdays. Whole class PE will continue to be on Tuesday afternoons.

We also have arranged for music lesson for the class, this will be a weekly one hour session on Thursday mornings and will focus on percussion, including using our voices and bodies as instruments.

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to speak to either of us.

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