

IMPORTANT DATES

Rhubarb Theatre Performance

Monday 7th November

PFTA Meeting

Tuesday 15th November

Children in Need

Friday 18th November

WOW Curriculum Days

Monday 21st and Tuesday 22nd November

PFTA Christmas Fayre

Friday 2nd December

E-Safety Day

Monday 5th December

Class Projects Due In

Monday 5th – Friday 9th December

KS1 Dress Rehearsal of Production

Tuesday 6th December 2pm

KS1 Production

Wednesday 7th December 2pm

School trip to the Pantomime

Friday 9th December

Christmas Lunch

Monday 12th December

PFTA Christmas Buffet and Party

Monday 19th December

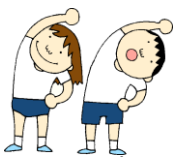
Last Day of Term

Tuesday 20th December

Return to school Wednesday 4th January

P.E. KIT...

PE will be on **WEDNESDAYS**, so please can you ensure that children aren't wearing earrings or that they are able to remove them for themselves. Children will need to have their PE Kit in school **all week**, in case our session has to change. I will ensure that they are sent home on a Friday for a wash. The children will require shorts, t-shirt and trainers.



FOREST SCHOOL – will be continuing on **TUESDAY** mornings, please ensure children have appropriate clothing (long trousers, t-shirt, jumper, waterproof jacket, wellingtons, hats, scarves and gloves) – *Please check the newsletter to see which children are taking part.*

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A curriculum leaflet about...



Chestnuts - Year 1/2
Autumn Term 2016



Class Teacher – Miss Gray

Teaching Assistants– Miss Broadbridge and Mrs Smith

Welcome back...

I cannot believe we are entering our second term already! We have lots of exciting learning ahead of us as well as lots of Christmas activities.

It has been lovely getting to know you all and working together to ensure that the children have settled as brilliantly as they have. Please continue to contact me on Class Dojo and I am available both before and after school.



The children will continue to be expected to read for a minimum of 5 minutes a day to help develop their reading and comprehension skills.

Each child will continue to have their 10 spellings, which will be tested on a Friday and their weekly maths activity.

The topic projects that were shared with us last term were AMAZING! Thank you to you all for the fantastic input at home. This term the projects will be centred around our new topic...more details inside.

Just a reminder...

Please ensure that **all** personal property is clearly named with your child's name, this includes PE and Forest school clothing.



Wellingtons

Please can all the children have their wellingtons in school this term, as we will be using Wild At Heart for our learning this term so they will be required. We kindly ask that the boots are named so that we are able to ensure that each child returns home with their own boots. Thank you.

Our Topic this term is...

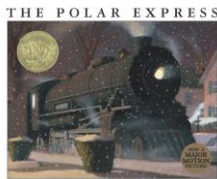
'Arctic and Antarctic Adventures'

This topic is focussed upon thinking about where the Arctic and Antarctic is and who lives there. The children will also learn about famous explorers of the poles.

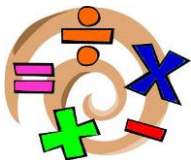
English – At the start of the term, the children will learn about adventure stories and the book we will use to help us will be 'Lost and Found' by Oliver Jeffers. After writing their own adventure stories the children will move onto non-fiction writing. They will write a fact page about an animal that lives in the Arctic or Antarctic.



To finish off our term, we will spend 2 weeks exploring the classic 'The Polar Express' by Chris Van Allsburg.



Maths – For this half term we will be revisiting our work on place value to reinforce our previous learning. We will then revisit addition and subtraction for the year 1 pupils and move onto multiplication and division for year 2. Towards the end of the term we will explore shapes and link this with the Christmas theme.



Please support your children at home with practising the formation of numbers and in their recall of basic number facts to 10 and 20. In addition you can support them with their understanding of money by talking about coins and the combinations that they make.

Science – This term the children will look at many elements of the science curriculum. We will explore the changing seasons; how Summer becomes Autumn and Autumn turns into Winter. In preparation for our DT work the children will explore materials and their properties, which will involve describing and sorting them by their properties and characteristics. Linking with our English learning, the children will learn about animals and their habitats – with a focus on the Arctic and Antarctic.

Geography – The children will find out where the Arctic and Antarctic is and make comparisons to the UK.

History – The children will learn about significant individuals in history in relation to the Arctic and Antarctic. We will look at Robert Falcon Scott, Sir Ernest Shackleton and more recent explorers who have explored these areas.



DT – After the children have learnt about materials and their properties in Science, they will use this learning to help them make an outfit for our class bear Super Ted. They will design, make and evaluate their creations.

Computing – The children will use Purple Mash to help them undertake their learning across the curriculum. They will use computers and iPads to do this.

RE – The children will continue their work on 'The Good Earth'. After this they will revisit the story of Christmas and retell this in a variety of ways.



PSHE – During our PSHE sessions we will focus upon the topic 'New Beginnings'. The children will have regular circle times where we can discuss lots of things openly and encourage group activities. Along with this we will be looking at one of our 6 R's – Relationships.

Music – The children will listen to music and think about how the instruments are used to create the sounds we hear. They will listen to music with a winter theme.

PE – Lessons will be on **WEDNESDAYS**. The children will be focusing on multi skills and developing their skills when working in teams.

WE NEED YOU!

Do you have an hour to spare? Then we can use your support in our class to listen to us read.

If you think you can then please come and see me.

Our next topic: Heroes of the World.