



Talk for Reading

In Spring 2 we will continue Talk for Reading. This half term our focus texts will be "The Frog Prince" from the Grimm's Fairy Tales. Many of us are now reading fluently and are focusing on inference skills. Some children will be focusing on securing our final phonics sounds and reading fluently.

How can I support at home?

Reading is the key to success at this age so we are encouraging all children to read as regularly as possible. When you have read any reading scheme book or story book from home with your child, please also ask some simple comprehension questions that allow children opportunities to predict what may happen next or to infer what is happening by reading the text/looking at the pictures.

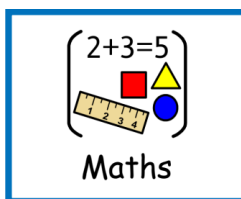


Talk for Writing

We will be reading the story 'Amazing Grace' which teaches us the importance of overcoming challenges. The text type that we will be focusing on is diary writing. The grammar we will focus on is different sentence types, tenses and suffixes.

How can I support at home?

Please encourage children to use capital letters (where needed) and appropriate punctuation at the end of any sentence you see them write. We are continuing to practice our neat handwriting script by sitting letters on the line, ensuring ascenders are tall and descenders have tails under the line. Some children have started learning how to join some pairs of letters together. Some examples to practise at home are: ea, cy, de, he, ai.



Maths

In maths, we will be looking at measuring and comparing different lengths, heights, mass, capacity and temperatures. For the final 2 weeks of this half term we will be exploring fractions, this challenging topic will continue into the Summer term.

How can I support at home?

We have recently focussed on multiplication and division and have introduced the 2 times table, the 10 times table and the 5 times table. Regularly practising these at home will improve their fluency and understanding of these number facts. Perhaps you can practise these on Numbots! (Usernames and passwords to be found in their reading logs).

For parent videos on our Maths methods, [please click here](#)



History

Oh, I do like to be beside the seaside! This half term's history will focus on how holidays have changes over time. We will use different sources to learn about how our grandparent's holidays compared to the types of holidays available nowadays.



Music

Music this half term will focus on West African call and response songs. Animals will be a stimulus for our singing and the choice of instruments children will be using.



Science

We have an exciting topic based around habitats and food chains. We will be learning the terms 'World habitat', 'British habitat' and 'Micro habitat' and considering which animals live in each. We will then investigate how animals have adapted to living in these environments. Finally, we will explore food chains and how these match the habitat that the animals live in.



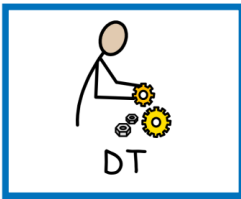
Religious Education

In R.E this half term, we will be exploring the question 'How do we know that some people have a special connection to God?' We will be looking at this questions through a range of religious and non-religious beliefs. Whilst exploring this question, we will use a selection of religious artefacts to help us deepen our learning.



PE

The first half of our lessons this half term will focus on developing the children's ball skills. In the later half of the term, children will be starting a unit called "Pirate Fitness"



DT

This half term is all about healthy eating! We will be learning about the 5 different food groups and how our body needs the different foods to keep us healthy. We will then be designing and preparing healthy wraps that incorporate the different food groups. During our D.T lessons, we will be learning how to use a range of different tools and equipment safely.

Upcoming Dates

Thu - 6.3.25 - World Book Day

Fri - 14.3.24 - Red Nose Day - Non-uniform (optional red nose)

Thu - 20.3.25 - Class and Leavers Photos

Tue - 25.3.25 - Parents Evening (All classes)

Wed – 26.3.25 – Toad Parents Evening

Thu - 27.3.25 - Parents Evening (Not Toad Class)

Thu - 3.4.25 Disco (3:30 - 4:30 -)

Fri - 4.4.25 - Last Day of Term

Additional Information

Fore more year group information, please visit the class pages on our website.

<https://www.portfieldsprimaryschool.org/children/class-pages>