



Shelfton Infant School

Classes 1, 4 & 5

Curriculum Newsletter



September 2019 - Autumn 1

Our topic is: Me, Myself and I

English

- We will be working on our reading skills through daily phonics sessions, guided reading sessions, shared reading and individual reading practise. We will have spelling challenges each week as well as specific work on handwriting.
- Through all of our written work we will begin to form sentences using capital letters, finger spaces and full stops.
- We will be focussing on forming our letters correctly (lowercase and capitals) and being able to name the letters of the alphabet correctly.

Maths

- This half term we will concentrate on counting forwards and backwards accurately in ones. We will also concentrate on counting forwards in tens.
- We will be focussing on recognising numbers and writing numbers correctly.
- We will be learning to find the number that is one more or one less than a number to 30.
- We will be focussing on simple addition sums using numbers to 20.
- We will be recognising the British coins and learning how to use these to pay for items.

Science

- Our Science sessions will concentrate on the human body and our five senses.

RE

- Our focus this half term will be Belief systems - what do people believe in? We will take part in the Harvest festival celebrations in school—see dates for further information.

Art/Design and Technology

- Tan will spend time in classes working on art work for our special week.
- Children will learn how to accurately draw faces and the features within them. They will create their own self portrait as well as a portrait of their friend or family member.

Geography

- Children will learn about the local area—looking at human features in the area and drawing simple maps.

Computing

- Children will have the opportunity to explore the class computers and IPADS. They will use the coding software throughout the term. We will be talking about being safe online.

PE

- The children will be focusing on gymnastics learning different travels, jumps and balances—please make sure they have a named PE kit with PE pumps in school.

Trips

We are hoping to go on a local walk to look at human geographical features in the area and visit the Derby museum to see the bones of the Allenton Hippo and look at the work of Joseph Wright.

You can help your child by:

- Listening to your child read regularly, noting this in your child's Reading Record book (at least 3 times a week).
- Encourage your child to learn the words and associated spelling rules highlighted on the provided Spellings sheet.
- Practise counting using objects (in 2s, 5s and 10s), find one more/less, and practise simple practical addition and subtraction. Please practise counting backwards from any number too!
- Play games to encourage turn taking and concentration skills.

Achieve well!

Aim high!

Have fun!

Dates and events in school this half term

Don't forget -