

## English...

### Non - Chronological Reports:

We will read and compare paper and ICT based non-chronological reports and identify common features and evaluate their effectiveness. From that point we will plan a non-chronological report using sub-headings, key details and information. We will learn how to organize our ideas under sub-headings and into paragraphs. We will then write our own non chronological reports arranged into simple paragraphs.

### SATS:

We like to give the children lots of opportunities to write in many different genres so as part of our theme we will write diary entries, letters, postcards, stories, descriptions and non fiction texts.

### Theme

Title: I'm an explorer...GET ME OUT OF HERE!

History - We will be researching famous individuals and concentrating on finding out about famous explorers such as Christopher Columbus. We will also be looking at changes within living memory.

Geography - We will become explorers and learn all about the 7 continents. We will look at ariel photographs of our local environment and how that compares to a rainforest, the outback and the North and South Poles and discuss physical and human features.

### ICT and Computing

We will use ICT as a way of producing artwork linked to our theme. We will use the internet to gather information and research information different parts of the world. We will use technology purposefully to organise content and identify where to go for help when concerned about content or contact on the internet.

## Year 2

### Spring Term

## Curriculum Newsletter



### I'm An Explorer...

## GET ME OUT OF HERE!

### Homework

Literacy and Mathematics homework will be sent home every Friday afternoon. This should be completed by your child in pencil if you can. Please try and send this in with your child by Tuesday at the latest. Thank you. Each night try to spend some time reading with your child and **please comment and sign their Reading Record.** Each Monday your child will bring home 15 spellings and they will be tested on these on the following Monday morning. Please practise these with your child over the course of the week.

### Attendance

We take attendance very seriously at Pikes Lane. Please ensure your child is in school EVERY day and on time. Thank you.

### General Information

**PE Kit:** Your child will need their PE kit every week. PE is on a Monday afternoon and Wednesday afternoon.

**Book Bag:** Please make sure your child brings their book bag every day.

#### **IMPORTANT DATES:**

Half Term - Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2018

School re-opens -Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2018

End of Spring Term - Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2018

## Science

### Living things and their habitats -

### Plants and Animals



We will ...

- Compare the difference between living, dead and things that have never been alive.
- Explore suitable habitats for plants and animals
- Name a variety of plants and animals
- Describe how animals get their food from plants and animals and see ourselves as animals
- Offspring of animals - lifecycle
- Observe and describe how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants

## Maths

We will...

- Compare, describe and solve practical problems for lengths and heights, mass/weight, capacity and volume - Know that weight is measured in g and kg, height and length is measured in mm, cm and M, liquid is measured in ml and L and temperature is measured in °C.
- Read numbered scales.
- Fractions - be able to find one quarter or two quarters or three quarters of a shape or object and also a number of objects. Also be able to find one third, or two thirds.
- Use RUCSAC to answer reasoning questions.
- Addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.
- Multiply in 2s, 3s, 5s, and 10s.
- Tell the time to every 15 minutes. O'clock, half past, quarter past, quarter to.
- Recognise and discuss the properties of 2d and 3d shapes
- Add amounts of money using coins. Work out the change from up to £1.

### PSCHE & British Values

We will be focussing on developing our PSCH skills and concentrating on the **5 Ways to Wellbeing**. We will be thinking about:

- Giving
- Keeping Active
- Keep Learning
- Connect
- Take notice

**We will also be covering the five fundamental British Values which are defined as:**

- The Rule of Law
- Democracy
- Individual Liberty
- Mutual Respect