

English

Information: Children will be asking and answering their own questions. They will use books and iPads to research and develop their own knowledge and understanding of fantasy lands. The children will be writing their own non-chronological reports and putting them together in a class book. They will make a glossary of special or interesting words linked to our theme.

Instructions: We will be reading good examples of instructions and learning about what makes them 'good.' We will work together to write instructions using time words and imperative verbs.

Poems: Through this unit we will learn about pattern and rhyme and write our own poems about Pirates!



Science

Materials :

Within this unit we will be testing materials to see which one would be best for a witches or wizards new cauldron. They will have to...

- distinguish between an object and the material from which it is made
- identify and name a variety of everyday materials, including wood, plastic, glass, metal, water, and rock
- describe the simple physical properties of a variety of everyday materials.

Computing

We will use computer science in all of our learning as we now have i-Pads in our classrooms.

We will use the internet to gather and research information and create work linked to fantasy lands and settings!

We will be using positional language in our algorithm work using Bee-bots.

Year 1

Spring Term Curriculum Newsletter



FANTASIA!

Homework

Literacy or Mathematics homework will be sent home every Friday afternoon. This will be different each week and will include reading, writing, number work, research/finding things out and creative activities. Please support your child to complete these activities and return them to school 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.**

Please continue to use Mathletics; www.mathletics.co.uk. If your child has forgotten their log in details you will find it in their Reading Log!

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 morning and Friday afternoon.

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

IMPORTANT DATES:

Half Term – School closes Friday 20th February 2018

School re-opens – Monday 26th February 2018

End of Spring Term – Thursday 29th March 2018

School re-opens – Tuesday 17th April 2018

Dress like a Pirate & Pixie day – to be confirmed.

Theme

Title: FANTASIA!

Geography

As pirates we will go on adventure around the seas and name and locate the world's seven continents and five oceans. We will name, locate and identify characteristics of the four countries and capital cities of the United Kingdom and its surrounding seas.

Art / DT

We will be creating 3d sculptures, collages and painting all based around the theme of the Blue Planet. We will be looking specifically at Penguins and learning about their habitat, diet and life cycles. We will also be creating fantasy worlds using watercolour and paints.

Maths

Addition & Subtraction

We will:

- represent and use number bonds and related subtraction facts within 20
- add and subtract one-digit and two-digit numbers to 20 and beyond, including zero
- solve one-step problems that involve addition and subtraction, using concrete objects and pictorial representations, including missing number problems such as $7 = _ - 9$

Multiplication and Division

We will:

- solve one-step problems involving multiplication and division, by calculating the answer using concrete objects, pictorial representations and arrays
- Through grouping and sharing small quantities, pupils will begin to understand: multiplication and division; doubling numbers and quantities; and finding simple fractions of objects, numbers and quantities

Health & Wellbeing

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

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

