



Parent/School Termly Information

Class: Diamond C & LW

Term: Autumn 1

This term's topic is 'What does it mean to be courageous?'

The main subject focus is Maths, English and History.

General Information

P.E Days and times

Please note that all pupils should not be wearing earrings or studs for P.E.

We advise that these children do not wear their earrings to school on PE days unless they can remove them themselves.

PE Days- Tuesday & Friday

Water Bottles & Fruit Snack

Children may bring a fruit snack for break time and a bottle of water that they can use throughout the day. (Children may bring a drink of squash for their packed lunch box but must drink water in the classroom.)

Educational Visits

Safety in Action at Eastbourne Sports Park

Diamond C – Wednesday 10th October 2018

Diamond LW – Thursday 11th October 2018

Homework (this will vary according to the child's needs)

Daily Reading: Children are expected to read daily.

Times Table Rockstars: Children will be using Times Table Rock Stars to support their knowledge. The app can be downloaded and used at home if you would like to do so.

Spellings: Spellings issued on Tuesday to be learnt for a test the following Monday.

Additional Task: This will be set in relation to English, Maths or topic work taught during the week and will be set on a Friday and due in the following Thursday.

Curriculum Subjects

English

We will be studying *War Game* by Michael Foreman alongside other books on WW1 and will be using these to inspire our writing throughout the term.

Reading

Reading and comprehension skills

Author study on the writing style and influences of Michael Morpurgo & Michael Foreman

Spelling and Phonics

Single Word Spelling words and tests

Developing spelling strategies

Additional handwriting (where needed)

Mathematics

Number - Securing number facts, relationships and calculating.

Counting, partitioning and calculating

Addition, subtraction, multiplication and division-using and applying to solve everyday problems

Mental calculations

Shape and measure

Fractions, decimals and percentages

Science

An expert from the Herstmonceux Science Centre will be coming in to school to lead investigations on light.

Jigsaw

This term's Jigsaw focus is 'Me in My Own World'. Children will identify their goals for this year and be able to discuss their fears and worries about the future, as well as finding ways to express them. They will then focus on coming up with strategies to help them overcome their fears and barriers.

Curriculum Subjects

ART

In this unit we will use our sketching, drawing and painting skills to create images of poppies linking to our work on WW1. This will include a focus on both perspective and detail. The children will then look at the works of Vincent Van Gough and will create their own image based on his paintings with poppies.

ICT

This unit will build on previous knowledge of studying e-safety issues within school such as zip it, block it, flag it. We will give the children the opportunity to investigate an e-safety issue which they think most effects children at The Haven and will then use Microsoft Office to present our findings.

HISTORY

In recognition of the centenary of World War 1, this unit builds on the use of both primary and secondary sources to support historical facts and evidence of World War I. It provides opportunities to consider the impact of World War I on Britain and Europe and how the war changed the lives of those living in England at the time. The unit focuses on: life on the front line, life on the home front and how the war impacted the lives of local people here in Eastbourne.

PE

Our games module this term focuses on invasion games, and the children will build upon their skills of games in small and whole group activities. They will continue to build on the skills of possession, defence and attack strategies, and how to improve as a team player.

RE – World Faiths

This term will be focused on Islam. The unit of work uncovers the Five Pillars of Islam and why they are important to Muslims. Children will have hands-on opportunities to study objects related to Islam, as well as discovering the wide variety of Islamic artwork and the thoughts behind their creation, before creating their own work of art.

Parent Helpers

Please come and talk to us if you would like to become a parent reader. In order to come in and help you need to be DBS checked (police checked) and this can take quite a while. If you would like to help please talk to one of us and get a DBS form from the office. Thank you.

Please could you continue to check your child's book bag every day for letters and remind them to pass on completed replies to us in the morning.

PE lessons

If your child is unable to take part in PE due to injury or illness please could you write a brief note in their homework book or on a separate sheet explaining the circumstances.

Please could you ensure that your child has an indoor and outdoor PE kit and trainers/plimsolls in school every day as we will take the opportunity (weather permitting) to give the children some PE, whenever possible. Please include jogging bottoms and jumper for warmth during outside session, and a plastic bag to take home muddy trainers or boots!

Dates to remember:

Safety in Action at Eastbourne Sports Park
Diamond C – Wednesday 10th October 2018
Diamond LW – Thursday 11th October 2018

Class teacher: Miss Canning, Mrs Lawrence, Mr Walter & The Diamond Team

Date: September 2018