



Parent/School Termly Information

Class: Emerald WA and Emerald ML Term: Autumn 2

This terms topic is 'Hot and Cold'

*The main subject focus is **Geography***

General Information

P.E Days and times

Our P.E days are Mondays and Tuesdays. In addition to standard PE kit (shorts, T-shirt and trainers/plimsoles) please also send into school a winter P.E kit (jogging bottoms and a jumper) so that we can go outside for P.E for as often as possible.

We advise that these children do not wear earrings to school on PE days unless they can remove them themselves as they will not be able to participate if they are wearing them.

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

There are none planned for this term.

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

Reading books: All children have been issued with a reading book and a reading record. Please listen to your child read every day for a minimum of 10-15 mins. We ask that you sign the reading record and make a note of the pages read or discussions that you had about the book. We cannot stress enough the importance of daily reading with your child. Reading opens up a world of language and opportunities that is not rivalled by any other activity. It has even been proven that the very act of reading makes people more intelligent!

Spellings: Your children will bring home spellings that they have been learning in school. Please help them to revise these in preparation for weekly spelling tests.

Curriculum Targets

Children will continue to have personalised targets to support them in their learning and each one is unique to them.

English: Children to use their individual target sheets to support working towards their English targets in their writing.

Maths: Children will continue to develop their mental maths strategies through their work in their 'Numeracy Maths Passport' sessions. Their target will be to complete their passport. When the children have completed it, they will get a certificate in celebration assembly and move onto a new passport. Some children are working on Times Tables facts using Times Tables Rockstars.

Curriculum Subjects

Main areas to be covered

English

In English this term we are writing instructions, stories and recounts. We are also working on writing booklets and leaflets linked with our topic of hot and cold. In our weekly writing sessions we will focus on ensuring that our handwriting is neat and legible. We will also be trying to ensure that we are always correctly punctuating our work and extending ourselves to make sentences longer using conjunctions.

Mathematics

This term we will be working on multiplication and division of 2, 5, 10. We will also be measuring the length of objects in centimetres and metres. In addition to this we will be learning to solve problems about length. We are working on measuring mass in kilograms and grams, comparing the mass of objects and solving word problems.

We will continue with our daily Passport targets and Times Tables Rock Stars.

RE

We are retelling the story of the birth of Jesus and recognising the link with Incarnation. We are looking at how churches celebrate Christmas and what special presents God has given us.

Curriculum Subjects

Other Subjects

Hot and Cold

Geography

The children will be learning about seasonal weather patterns, climates and also looking at how maps and keys work.

Art and Design

We will be linking our art this term with the Christmas RE topic.

Computing

The children will be developing their keyboard and word processing skills.

Physical Education

The children will be learning movement and dance skills and develop basketball skills.

Jigsaw

The topic is called 'celebrating differences', during which the children will learn that sometimes people make assumptions about boys and girls. We will be learning to accept everybody and treat everyone equally.

Other Notes

Parent Helpers

Please come and talk to us if you would like to become a parent reader. We would welcome you with open arms, even if you can only spare a short amount of time. 1:1 reading with children has such a big impact on children's ability and enthusiasm to read. You will discover that many children who as reluctant to read at home are desperate to 'show off' their reading to a visiting adult!

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.

If you have any queries or concerns about anything, please do not hesitate to talk to us. We are available most days after school for a quick chat or we can arrange a time for another day if this suits better.

Date for your diary

Christmas production: Tuesday 11th December 2.00pm and 6pm – Emerald WA
Wednesday 12th December 2.00pm and 6pm – Emerald ML

Class teachers:
Mrs White and Mrs Anderson
Mrs Lambert and Mrs McGreevy

Date: 1st November 2018