



Junipers Newsletter

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BEHAVIOUR

It's good to be green!



Your child is aiming to show good to be 'green' behaviour at all times.

Please ask your child if they have been green all week and help them to reflect on how they could improve the following week if necessary.

Things to remember:

- PE kits for Tuesday and Wednesday.
- Reading books and records every day.

Class Homework Expectations:

Homework is given out every Monday. This will usually consist of:

- A list of 8 to 10 spellings to learn for a weekly test.
- A piece of Maths which reflects the work in class.
- A spelling, punctuation or grammar related task.
- A times table test.

Children have a week to complete the homework. Thank you for a great response so far!

Furthermore, children will receive a homework project that relates to our topic – 'The Wild West'



Literacy

This term is linked to our topic, The Wild West. Our book focus is 'The Indian in the Cupboard'. We have begun by reading this book together and creating persuasive letters to the main character. The children have written some fantastic, descriptive pieces of writing so far. We shall also be writing poems, stories and a non-fictional piece of writing over the course of the term. Alongside this, we are having a real push on punctuation and grammar skills, reinforcing technical vocabulary. We are also using Vocabulary Ninja every day to help us extend our vocabulary knowledge and learn new exciting words!

Numeracy

This term we will cover several topics, beginning with Multiplication and Division. It would be great for children to be practising their times tables at home. Although it has been great to see how well the children's ability to multiply is improving! Children are learning how to multiply and divide 2 digits by 1. We've found this a bit tricky, but with lots of practice, I'm sure we will achieve! After, this topic, we shall spend the rest of the term developing our skills with fractions.

What your child will be learning this term:

Our topic this term is "What is the Wild West like today?". We have begun this topic with Geography, locating where the Wild West is on a World Map.

To help us with develop our Wild West knowledge, we have been working in pairs to research the Wild West and create a PowerPoint of information. The children are really enjoying creating the PowerPoints and we would love to show you these at the end of the term!

RE

Our RE topic is: 'Who can inspire us?'. So far in this topic, we have explored inspirational people such as: The Queen, Rosa Parks and Nelson Mandela. We will also explore different faiths and understand why different religions have different leaders and why they are inspirational to that following.

Science

In Science this term our topic will be 'Amazing Bodies'. So far, we have investigated what a balanced diet means and looks like. The children have demonstrated their understanding by creating meal plans for both themselves and famous athletes. Also, in this topic, we will look at our own bodies and explore why we have skeletons.

CELEBRATING CHILDREN'S WORK

We value children's achievements extremely highly and always display the children's creativity and hard work in class. Please feel free to pop in at the start of the day/home time to see your child's achievements.