

Literacy

In literacy this half term we will be performing our own rainforest poems. Following this, we will be watching and discussing Greenpeace's 'Rang-tan' campaign and learning to write persuasively.

We will also be looking at play scripts. We will look at how play scripts are set out and use the play scripts to perform short pieces of drama. This will link to our guided reading. We will then be writing our own play scripts.

A continuing focus of SPaG is on sentence structure and using a variety of punctuation accurately.



Half Term Preview

SUMMER TERM 1

Class: Aslans (Y3)

How You Can Help

We are really looking forward to our upcoming trip to York Chocolate Story and we are really pleased with the result of our recent fundraising. Please remember we have asked children to arrive at 8:00a.m. and we will not be returning until 4:00 p.m.

Our class blog is being updated regularly with the weekly maths and spelling homework. At times we will publish photos and any examples of work. This is a great way for you to see what your child has been learning in school. There are a lot of photos from our recent time spent in the Forest School and some fantastic videos the children created.

Some children have already been awarded with their silver certificate for their spelling contracts – keep up the good work Aslans! Remember, homework is given out every Friday to be handed in by the following Thursday.

We still have a number of children forgetting to bring their PE kits. As the weather is now becoming warmer a full PE kit (including footwear) is even more important in order for the children to take part fully in the sessions.

Numeracy

In maths next half term we will be continuing to measure and compare lengths and calculate the perimeter of shapes. We will then move on to measurement in terms of money, using our calculation methods to solve money problems including giving change.

We will also be using Base10 and other concrete resources to consolidate our understanding of column addition and number line subtraction. We will be continuing to apply our learning to complex problems.

In CLIC we are developing our mental methods. Remember to practice your learn-its!

Science

Our new science topic will be 'How far can you throw your shadow?' We will be finding out about different light sources. We will also learn about transparent, translucent and opaque materials.

Children will find out about how shadows are created and how these change through the day. Have you ever wondered why footballers playing in an evening match can look like they have four shadows?

In order to help your child prepare for this topic, why not make a list of different light sources you can find in the house?

Physical Education

Next term we will be learning to play tag rugby. We will learn some of the rules of the game, develop our throwing and catching skills and take part in mini games. We will also develop our team work skills and tactics used within the sport.

The children have made a great progress with their Netball skills during this half term including passing, pivoting and shooting. We will be continuing with netball next half term focusing on our match play and working together as a team.

Creative Curriculum

In creative curriculum, we will be continuing our exploration of the Amazon rainforest. We will be learning about the effects of deforestation and the impact humans are having on the world's rainforests. This will be linked to our persuasive writing in literacy.

In music, we will be continuing to practise our class song from the Jungle Book on the glockenspiels.

In textiles, we will be creating a whole class wall hanging made up from a collection of felt tropical leaves.

Computing

Next half term we will be using multimedia to publish our acrostic poems.

We will be practicing typing accurately using both hands. We will be learning how to format our work by changing the font size, style and colour as well as using word art for the start of each new line of poetry.

We will be collecting a bank of images using the internet to add to our work.