

Autumn 2 Newsletter

Topic - Whales



Welcome back! We hope you had an enjoyable half term. Below you will find lots of useful information about autumn term.

Curriculum

We are super excited for our **Whales** topic this half term, which will inspire much of the learning. English, Maths and Science are taught regularly each week whereas other curriculum subjects are taught at specific times during the half term.

Subjects taught weekly	
Maths	Subtraction within 10, shape and numbers to 20
English	The Storm Whale by Benji Davies
Science	Parts of animals
PE	Nativity dances
RE	Prayer and Worship – Judaism
PSHE	Celebrating difference
Music	Nativity songs
Subjects taught within our topic lessons	
Geography	Maps, human and physical features looking at The Snail and the Whale - <i>w.c 4.11.2024</i>
DT	Junk Modelling underwater scenes – <i>w.c 25.11.2024</i>
Computing	Grouping and Sorting Pictograms - <i>w.c 9.12.2024</i>

Reminders

- School starts at 8.45am, your child should line up on the playground with their teacher. The door will then be closed, if you arrive after this you will need to take your child to the office.
- On Tuesday and Thursday please come to school wearing your PE kit.
- Please ensure that you bring a **named** water bottle to school every day.
- Please ensure **all** items of clothing are clearly named.
- Please read your reading book at home as often as possible, and record your reading in your reading record books. You will receive a Dojo Point each time you read at home.
- Home time is 3.15pm. Parents, please wait in the allocated areas of the playground. If you would like to talk to us, please wait until we have sent the children home before approaching us. This will allow us to see all of the children off safely.

Dates

Phonics and Early Reading information session – 5.11.2024 (2.45 in the hall)

Reading café begins – 7.11.2024 (2.55pm)

Children in Need – 15.11.2024

Nativity play performance to parents – 11.12.2024

Christmas parties – 16.12.2024

Homework

Homework will be posted on ClassDojo each Monday. Our homework tasks will be discussions for you to have together, or simple activities to do that relate to the learning we will be doing in school. The children will share their ideas with the rest of the class during the week. If it is a discussion task, please just let us know it was completed at home. They will receive a dojo point for completing these homework tasks.

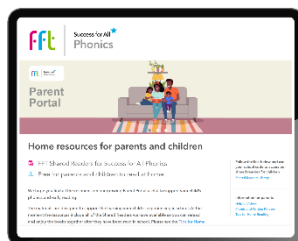
Library

Year 1 will visit the library on a Thursday morning. Please return library books each week so the children can choose a new one to bring home.

Things to help at home

There are a number of resources that you could be using at home to support your child's development:

- Top Marks - Maths games
- 1 minute maths app – Maths activities
- FFT shared library – All shared reading books



Reading Cafe

Reading cafes will begin on Thursday 7th November. This will be an opportunity for parents to see to read with their child and have support with how to do this at home, if required. Please come to your child's door at 2.55pm every Thursday during Autumn 2 term.

Red Words

We are continuing to learn these 10 red words. Please continue to practise reading and writing these, to ensure your child is confident with them.

a	do	today	of	said
were	is	his	has	says

Thank you for your support!

Mrs Frost and Miss Robinson