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Year 5 Summer 1 Newsletter

English

Reading and Writing

This term's reading and writing will be based on the books 'Trash' by Andy Mulligan and 'Somebody Swallowed Stanley' by Sarah Roberts.

Over the course of the half-term, pupils will read the texts together as a class and complete a number of writing activities linked to the events of the story with the purpose of persuading and entertaining. Over the half-term, two pieces of writing to entertain and persuade will be completed by pupils - a setting description and a campaign leaflet.

Each pupil will be given a reading record and will be able to choose a book at their level to read for enjoyment at home. Books will be expected in school each day, and they will be checked/changed each Wednesday via BOOM Reading. BOOM Reading will also be used at home in order to track progress of books.

Maths

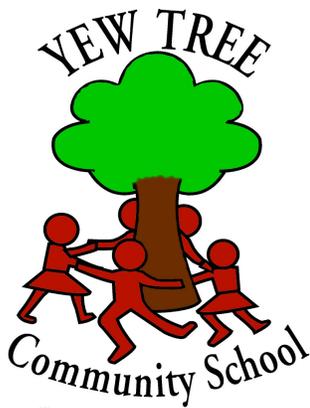
In maths, pupils will start by looking at the topics of perimeter and area and statistics, including completing reasoning questions. Following this, the rest of the half-term will focus on understanding and developing their understanding of shape, and position and direction. Also, pupils will be re-capping methods and maths knowledge previously taught in arithmetic sessions in order to improve their fluency and speed.

Geography

The topic for the first three weeks of the half-term is 'Why do oceans matter?' We will focus on developing skills and knowledge about factors showing how the oceans have an impact upon the world, including climate change. In the final week, the focus will be on developing a deeper understanding of the Atlantic Ocean.

Trip

Linked to our geography topic 'Why do oceans matter?' we will be visiting Blue Planet Aquarium. Please can any monies not sent in for this trip by 26th April, as detailed in the previous letter.



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Science

The topic for the three weeks following the Geography topic will be 'Life Cycles and Reproduction' when pupils will investigate a range of life cycles and will develop their understanding of animal reproduction.

Spanish/ PSHE

Spanish and PSHE will take place each week. Long term plans can be found on the school website.

D.T

This half term we will be completing a DT project, which will allow pupils to prepare ingredients to create a healthy fruit salad.

P.E

All classes have P.E on Monday (5 Red/5 Green), Tuesday (5 Blue) and Wednesday (all classes)

The first topics will be rounders and Eco dance.

Please ensure your child has the correct kit (yellow polo shirt and black shorts - available for purchase from reception), including footwear (trainers/pumps). Pupils without the correct kit will not be able to take part on health and safety grounds.

Homework

Homework will be set every Friday.

It will be required by the next Friday. Pupils will have opportunities in school to complete the homework if required. It will be comprised of work that re-caps the learning, which has gone on in class that week. Homework will be set for three subjects: maths, spelling and English. Pupils will have a spelling test each Friday morning.

It is expected that all homework is completed. A log will be kept of pupils' completed work.

Kind regards

Mr S.Howard / Mrs Z.Jay / Ms K.McDermaid