



Oulton Curriculum Newsletter

Summer 2 – Lifeboats and Lighthouses

Welcome back to the last half term of this academic year.

English

This half term we are focusing on adventure stories. We will all be using the story of 'Flat Stanley' to create their own adventures.

Reception: Will learn the story and then sequence the events writing simple sentences to match the pictures. There will be a strong focus on capital letters, full stops and finger spaces. They will consider how to make sentences join together to write a short narrative piece, in preparation for year 1.

Year 1 and 2: Will continue to work on sequencing simple sentences to create a narrative. They will also concentrate on how to link these sentences together, using conjunctions. We will have a strong focus on the choice of language and how this can make a more interesting piece of writing for the reader. The year 1 children will also complete the phonics screen check during W/B 10th June.

The children need to read every day at home, please write in their reading record when they have read so we can ensure books are changed as needed.

Maths

Reception and year 1 will begin the term focusing place value of larger numbers, from 50 to 100. They will consider how they can represent these using objects and pictures. They will look at partitioning these numbers into tens and ones and consider how this helps them with addition and subtraction problems. They will then move onto their money topic learning to identify and name the coins that we use and using these to make totals (year 1 will also begin to find change). Their final topic will be time, learning to tell the time to the nearest hour and half hour. They will consider how to measure periods of time and whether seconds, minutes or hours are the most appropriate units to measure in.

Year 2 will also begin the term focusing on place value and consolidate their earlier learning. They will then move to look at mass, capacity and temperature and use these concepts to read and interpret scales. They will end the year completing Maths investigations, allowing them to explore and make links between all the areas of learning this year.

Science

This half term the children will be learning continuing their plant investigations. They will be measuring their sweetpeas weekly and observing closely the changes that take place.

We will look at how plants help us to maintain a balanced diet and use plants to create some new dishes that they will be able to make and taste.

PSHE: This half term the children will be thinking about the rights and responsibilities they have within their community. They will be sharing and considering their views and those of others. We will also be working on transitions as all the children prepare to join their new year groups in September. Year 2 will additionally complete their RSE unit, further details will follow.

Topic: This half term our topic is 'Lifeboats and Lighthouses'. The children will learn about the work of Henry Blogg in Cromer and the RNLI. They will look at both physical and human features of geography, with a focus on coastal languages. The children will continue to develop their map skills, considering map symbols and how these are used. In art they will look at pictures of seaside locations and use these as the inspiration for their own art works. They will create the same picture in paint, chalk and collage before using mixed media to create a final piece, considering colours and textures used.

Helpful Websites

Maths

<http://uk.mathletics.com/>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/interactive.aspx?cat=11>

<http://www.primarygamesarena.com/>

English

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/english-games/5-7-years/letters-and-sounds>

www.oxfordowl.co.uk

<http://www.ictgames.com/literacy.html>

Topic

Important Dates:

W/B 10th June – Year 1 phonics screening check.

28th June – Sports day and family picnic – **no ASC.**

3rd July – Trip to Henry Blogg museum in Cromer.

12th July – Year 2 Sleepover – further details to follow.

17th and 18th July – transition days into new year groups.

24th July – last day of term – **no ASC**

Warmer Weather:

As the weather warms up it is important to remember the following:

- Sun hats – reception children may be restricted from outdoor area without one if it is too warm.
- Sun cream – children need to be able to apply this themselves, practice at home would be great.
- Water bottle

Welcome:

This half term we welcome Mrs Mummery and Ms Middleton into Oulton class. Mrs Mummery will be working in Oulton everyday. Ms Middleton will be on a student placement and will be in school on a Thursday. I am sure you will make them welcome.

P.E Days

Our P.E days will be on a Tuesday and Wednesday this half term. We will be using the field wherever possible for our lessons so please ensure the children have suitable clothing. **Water bottles will be needed to go to P.E to ensure the children stay safe and hydrated. All earrings must be removed for P.E. The children need to be able to remove them for themselves. If they are unable to do this please ensure earrings are removed at home before they come to school. Taping earrings is only allowed for children who are still within the first 6 weeks of having their ears pierced.**

As always, if you have any questions please do come and talk to us.

Kind Regards,

Miss Titmarsh, Mrs Spencer and Mr Whitty.