

Year 2 Newsletter

Below is a summary of what we will be learning about this term.

English



Our Power of Reading book this term is called 'The Adventures of Egg Box Dragon'. Our work will include writing instructions, letters and a fact file.

By the end of the term we will be confident in using question marks, exclamation marks, commas and apostrophes.

We will continue to work on joining up our handwriting and spelling common exception words correctly. These can be found on our class page on the school website.

Topic



Science

Our topic is Materials. We will be identifying a range of materials and comparing their uses. We will plan and carry out an experiment finding out which materials can float and are absorbent.

History

We will be looking at how communication has changed through time, from early cave paintings to the smart phone. We will focus on 2 individuals: William Caxton, who set up the first printing press in England, and Tim Burners-Lee who invented the World Wide Web.

DT

We will be junk modelling our own egg box dragons. We will also be exploring different mechanisms in the world around us leading to us designing, making and evaluating a moving picture and car! We will learn about sliders, pulleys, leavers, wheels and axels.

Maths



We will be covering and recapping 3 topics this term; length and height, shape and fractions. We will also be revisiting our work on the 4 operations.

We will be completing a mix of fluency, reasoning and problem-solving questions.

On Fridays we will continue to complete the 30/60/100 club challenges to practise our mental maths skills.

RE



We will learn about why the Easter story is important to Christians.

We hope to visit the church this term to support this learning.

Computing



In computing we will complete our new project: 'We are safe researchers'. We will learn how to search safely online and then create a presentation on a chosen topic.

Reminders

Please continue to remind your child to bring in and change their reading books on a Friday. We will also be updating and monitoring Bug Club each week.

Please try to complete a short reading and maths activity each day. This could be using Bug Club, Mathletics, practising for the 30/60 Club, spellings or using online games such as Karate Cats, Small Town Superheroes or Top Marks. It is vital to practise these key skills to ensure important lifelong skills are reinforced.

PE will continue be on Mondays and Thursdays. Please come to school in your PE kit, making sure they will be warm enough to be outside for 1 hour. Earrings need to be taken out or covered on these days.

Please ensure that any clothing and belongings brought into school are clearly named including water bottles, lunch boxes, book bags, all items in their PE kit and school uniform including coats. Please ensure your child brings a water bottle into school every day.

Home learning is due in on **Monday 28th March**.

Thank you for your continued support and don't forget to check our class page on the school website to find out more about what we have been doing. Please do contact us if you have any questions, messages or queries at cherryteacher@west-malling.kent.sch.uk

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