

Jeffers Class Autumn Newsletter Term 2

Welcome back to Jeffers Class!

I hope you have had a lovely half term.

Class teachers: Mrs Robinson (Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday)

Mrs Beatty (Thursday and Friday)

Miss Kendall and Mrs Wilson Teaching Assistants

Our curriculum.....What makes me, me?

This term our connections topic continues to explore ourselves, our local environment, our aspirations and similarities and differences with other cultures and customs. We are thinking about our aspirations, different jobs and people who help us. If you have an interesting job or know someone who does and are willing to come into school and talk to the class please let Mrs Robinson know.

In phonics we are making good progress with recognising sounds, blending and beginning to read. We have now completed the teaching of the set 1 single letter sounds and the children are retaining these phonemes really well. This term we will continue to consolidate these phonemes and digraphs and move onto more blending as we learn to read.

Our maths this term will focus on shapes, patterns, spatial awareness and consolidating numbers to 10. This includes recognition and composition of numbers to 10.

Our science topic is 'seasonal change as autumn becomes winter' we will be looking at how the weather, light and dark change, the trees and what changes for plants and animals in winter. We will also be exploring animals and their habitats.

Our weekly outdoor education sessions with Mrs Robinson continue this term. This will include developing maths, our big questions, writing and art. These will continue every Wednesday please can children come to school in indoor footwear and bring their wellies for outside. The weather is changing so please ensure the children are layered up and appropriately dressed.

In D.T we will be designing and crafting our very own Christmas tree decoration.

In RE this term we will be looking at understanding Christianity exploring the question 'Why do Christians perform the nativity at Christmas?' This will link to our exposure to and discussions about the nativity story and performance of this.

In PSHE we are celebrating differences and looking at what makes us special and unique. We will be exploring differences between families, houses and personal strengths. We are learning how to be respectful to each other and discussing words to use to stand up for ourselves when someone is being unkind.

And of course Christmas is coming. We are excited to enjoy lots of Christmas crafts, baking and getting the glitter out!

Homework

Mathletics and reading eggs available for you to access as you see fit. It is such a great way to support your child and I hope you continue to log on at home and enjoy doing this.

Our school expectation for reading is signing the reading diary 3x a week when you read at home to earn the reading stamps and prizes.

The whole school homework menu will come out and your child can choose an activity to complete this term and then bring in as and when you would like. Thankyou for all your fantastic harvest work last term.

Reminders

Outdoor Education is every Wednesday. Please make sure they are wearing suitable clothing for outdoor activities, especially this winter. Long sleeved tops and trousers are essential and please send in waterproofs and wellingtons each week.

P.E. is on a Thursday children will come to school in their P.E. kit for P.E. with Miss Wilson our sports specialist.

Tapestry We will share the children's learning through tapestry. We are equally very grateful for your uploads and love to see what the children are doing at home too. Show and Tell is being done through tapestry so please upload your child's treasures for them to talk about in class. This helps with speaking and listening and growing confidence.

We really value the relationship between parent and teacher and are here to support you with your child's learning. Any queries please do not hesitate to contact us.

Dates for the diary:

Friday 14th November: Children in Need (Details to follow.)

Thursday 20th November: Stay and Play- Parents invited from 2.45.

Wednesday 19th November: Geography Day- Our country is Australia. Dress as the colours of the Australian flag.

Wednesday 2nd December: WOW day- We invite you to come dressed in something that shows your future aspirations. (Something they'd like to be when they're older) Parents will be invited in from 2:45pm

Thursday 11th December: Our Christmas Nativity performance