



## **Chester Class Autumn Term**

### **English**

This term the children will be looking at a range of fiction and non-fiction writing. This will include poetry, non-chronological reports and information texts. The children will have chance to develop their own sentence structure as well as including more varied vocabulary. The children will take part in an Extended Writing session each week, to further develop their writing skills and ability to write longer narrative pieces. The children will have the opportunity to use picture books within their writing, giving them the chance to create their own narratives. Also, the children will continue to have daily phonics sessions to help improve their reading and spelling skills.

### **Maths**

The main focus of the first half term is place value. The children will be broadening their knowledge of place value as well as larger numbers and apply this to more complicated problems. They will learn how to sequence, manipulate and change these numbers. They will then move on to using this knowledge to learn different methods for addition and subtraction which will then be applied to more complicated word problems. The children will be using practical resources to support their learning throughout as well as using the online support of Mathletics which the children will have tasks set to be completed.

### **Science**

This term, children will be investigating the use of everyday materials. They will discuss their properties and how these therefore allow them to be used within everyday life. They will learn how to record their findings and write scientific conclusions. Then the children will be investigating animals including humans. They will discuss different animals and their young as well as look at the basic needs to survive for any animal including humans.

### **Music**

The children will continue to have music lessons each week with Mrs Shakspeare where she will continue to develop their singing and rhythm.



## **Computing**

During this term the children will be centering their learning on creating videos. They will discuss the importance of knowing which videos to keep and why as well as understanding what makes a good video. They will learn how to create short montages which include titles and credits. They will also focus on creating their own databases to store information. The children will be able to create their own tree diagrams which can be used to deduce information.

## **Research Theme**

During the first half term, the children will be focusing on researching Mary Anning and her important discoveries. The children will research how her findings have helped shape scientific facts today and what we can learn from this. The children will then move on to look at Victorian Life along with the similarities and differences between life then and now. Children will look at artefacts from this time as well as evaluate technology that was used during the era. Children will be using these facts to support their writing

## **Homework, PE Kit and Reading Books**

Homework will consist of spelling practice, sentence development / handwriting, times table practice and a Mathematics task. Homework will be given out on a Tuesday and will be expected in the following Tuesday.

P.E kits will be needed on a Tuesday (Dance), Wednesday (P.E) and Friday (Keep Fit).

Reading books will need to be brought in each day as well as reading diaries. Home reading books will be changed each Friday and the children will keep these for a week to encourage reading of the books multiple times.

Throughout the term, work completed by the children will be put on to our blog as well as our Twitter account. Please look at our work by visiting

<http://www.castleviewprimaryschool.co.uk/>

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