



## Chester Class



### **English**

This term the children will continue to look at a range of fiction and non-fiction texts. This will include lyrics to songs, non-chronological reports and information texts. The children will have chance to develop their use of varying sentence types as well as more complicated punctuation such as apostrophes for possession – i.e. John's cat. The children will continue taking part in Extended Writing sessions 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 beginning of the Spring term is multiplication and division. The children will be broadening their knowledge of what multiplication really is as well as relating this to their times table facts and related division facts. They will then move on to completing fraction work, based on finding halves, quarters and thirds to both number and shape. Children will also look at units of measure for length, weight, height and temperature and use these in conjunction with more complicated problems in preparation for SATs testing. Children will be encouraged to use their reasoning and problem solving skills throughout this term.

### **Science**

This term, children will be investigating forces. They will discuss simple push and pull forces and how we can apply these to different objects, along with the impact on the object. They will learn how to present their findings and write scientific predictions. Then the children will move on to investigating electricity. Children will look at creating simple circuits where they discuss the flow of electricity as well as identifying and understanding different uses for electricity

### **Music**

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

## **Spring Term**



## **Computing**

During this term the children will be centering their learning on algorithms and how and why these are used within computing. Children will have the opportunity to use Bee-Bots to help them program different commands and evaluate their effectiveness allowing the children to de-bug and correct their algorithms. Children will learn the importance of simple steps in order to make their intentions more clear.

## **Research Theme**

During the Spring term, the children will be focusing on researching Island Life. The children will research how life compares from an island to the mainland. Children will be using maps, images and videos to compare these ideas and compile facts files relating to these. Children will be investigating the different physical features of an island to the mainland and will discover what effect this has on the inhabitants of the islands or mainland.

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

Homework will consist of spelling practice, sentence development / handwriting, times table practice and personal development tasks. Homework will be given out on a Thursday and will be expected in the following Friday.

P.E kits will be needed on a Tuesday (Dance), Thursday (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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If you have any concerns or you wish to discuss a matter, then do not hesitate to contact me.