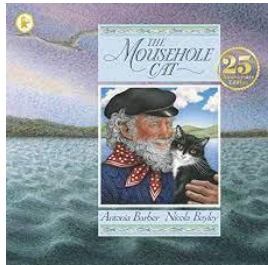


Welcome back, hope you had a lovely Easter break.

English



We will begin by reading *The Mousehole Cat*. This is a really lovely text that, while short, allows us to look at in depth; exploring its rich vocabulary. From similes to personification, this is an easily accessible read while allowing for greater depth into vocabulary. This unit will run alongside a poetry unit where the children can use what they learn from both units and use it interchangeably. We will also complete a non-fiction unit in which the children will complete a brochure

Maths

In Maths we will be looking at Place Value: comparing, ordering and rounding including decimals. In the Addition & Subtraction unit we will look at mental strategies, adding and subtracting decimals and problem solving with missing numbers.

The children will complete their Multiplication Test soon so please remember to **learn the multiplication facts**.

Geography

Have you drunk from the River Nile?

World - Rivers

We will explore rivers and look at how people use river environments. We will also explore the water cycle linking this with our science unit on changing states.



Science

How did it get in this state?

A practical unit looking at solids, liquids and gases and how something can change from one state to another. There will be plenty of opportunities for scientific investigations.

PSHE

From the Happy Mind programme, we will explore the **Engage** unit.

Art

Linking to our theme of water we will study Monet's *Water Lilies* and Hokusai's *Great Wave* applying various painting techniques to create our own water paintings inspired by them.

PE

Athletics and Rounders

Music

Rock Band

French

Food

We will learn to ask for common food items – especially and most importantly ice-cream flavours!

Reminders

Celebration board – In class we have a celebration board where children can have their home learning displayed. They can also bring in achievements from home to be photocopied and displayed.

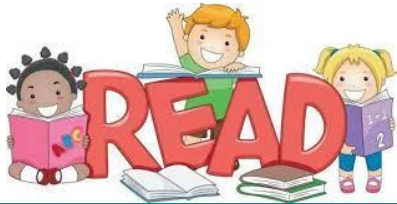
Toys etc.– toys, football cards, keyrings, jewellery... **must stay at home.** This is to ensure there are no problems when items go missing and to also provide equality amongst peers.

PE – Mr Ridge will be teaching the children PE skills on Wednesday afternoon. The children should come to school in their PE kit on Wednesday

Communication – please come and have a chat before or after school at the door if you have a quick message.

Reading at Home

Please make sure you continue to read daily. Children will be allowed to choose a book from the class library and we have a range of shorter and longer texts. Please sign the reading diary to show that they have read with you. Now that the children are fluent readers it may be more beneficial to ask questions rather than just listen. Questions around information that is implied rather than stated can be challenging for children and should be practised. Include questions about feelings for PSHE bonus!



Home Learning

The half termly homework menu will be sent home.

The weekly spellings and games can still be accessed from Spelling Frame.

Multiplications

Knowing the times tables is very beneficial as it makes many areas of maths more fluent. Please support your child with this. Facts are best learnt through constant repetition but this doesn't mean it needs to be boring. Here are some ideas:

Swing and count in multiples on each swing

Ball games

Hoops

Dart board

Board games

Include exercise ('Do 5x3 hops')

Treasure hunt

Sensory activity

Fun pens ie spy pens