



Hedgehogs Class

Newsletter

Term 6

Welcome back!

I hope you all had a fantastic break from school and are rested and ready for the final term! It is going to be a busy term so please keep an eye on the weekly newsletters about key dates coming up.

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to email me at sam.lines@bad.kent.sch.uk

Best wishes,

Mr Lines and Miss Jarman

Topics Overview

English – Our focus this term is on the works of Shakespeare. As it is a longer term, we will also be finishing off last term's topic, which includes writing letters and speeches inspired by Floodland. We will study several of Shakespeare's plays, including The Tempest.

Maths – This term we will begin with further work on measures. We will be looking at angles and shapes before moving onto converting between millimetres, millilitres, kilograms and kilometres, capacity, time and weight problems. There will be lots of problem solving with this unit. We will continue to do weekly arithmetic practice and revisiting topics learnt.

Science – We will be visiting a variety of topics once again this term. These will include: evolution, rocks, fossils and soils. This term will also include learning about puberty and hygiene. A further letter will be sent home closer to the time of teaching about puberty.

R.E – Our topic for this term will be continuing from last term and learning about what it means to be a Muslim today. We are hoping to visit Canterbury mosque in a few weeks to support our learning. A separate letter will be sent about this.

P.E – This term we will be continuing to work on our dance routine. PE will be on a **Monday** and **Tuesday**. Please ensure that your child comes to school wearing the correct PE kit for each session.

Computing – We are going to finish off last term's unit on Google Sheets before starting a new topic. This term the children will be learning how to use Micro:bits.

Art/DT – Our focus for this term will link with our computing topic. We are going to be using a new device called Micro:bit which is a pocket-sized code-able computer. The children are going to design and create their own guitar and code it to make tunes using the Micro:bit touch sensor.

History/Geography – Last term we learned about the geography of Scandinavia. This term we will be looking at Viking invasions and the impact this had on Britain at the time. The children will learn lots about the Vikings across the curriculum but will focus on key battles and 'Viking England' during Humanities sessions. We will be carrying out a trip to Whitstable where the children will learn about the Viking links there.

PSHE – Our topic for this term is 'What jobs would we like?'. The children will be learning about different jobs and the skills needed for these. We will also be examining stereotyping and its impact.

French - The topic for the coming term is 'En route pour l'école' where the class will be learning to identify key buildings within a town and to give directions.

Music- The children will be continuing to learn the ukulele with Mrs Willmott. We will be performing to you on Friday 11th July.

Home Learning

Maths Shed- Please encourage your children to log on and complete the challenges set by myself. This is incredibly valuable to support their fluency in this area, which helps tremendously in their maths lessons. This is set every **Thursday** and it needs to be completed by the following **Tuesday**. Ideally, this should be completed as short bursts **everyday**.

Reading- Please encourage daily reading of 15 minutes. This should be recorded in their home school record book. This doesn't have to be listened to by an adult, but please could you sign their reading record book so I can keep track of how much reading is being carried out at home.

Spellings will continue to be set every **Thursday** and they are tested every **Tuesday**.

Please also encourage your child to complete any additional research/extra work at home. This can always be shared at school and I love seeing what they do at home!

Term 6 Targets:

Below are three targets that I am setting the children to work on this term to develop their independence:

1. Please complete your Maths Shed homework each week.
2. Bring to school your home school record book **everyday!**
3. Remember to stick your spellings into your reading record book every **Thursday** morning. We have done this every week since September, so hopefully I won't need to remind you too many times! Having them stuck in your reading book means that they won't get lost and you can write your scores down to share with your parents.