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Coming up next week...

16.01.23

Maths

In maths next week we will be thinking about estimating using a number line. We will recap the phrases, greater than, less than and equal to, to help us compare and order number within 20. Children will then move onto to use inequality symbols to compare two numbers to 20.

English

In English next week we will be using our knowledge of non-fiction writing to help us create our own animal fact files.

We will be looking at questions within non-fiction and learning how to use the question mark within our writing.

Please help us collect some facts by completing the English homework.

Phonics

In phonics next week we will be thinking about...

New GPC's: *le, al, c(s) ve*

Tricky words: *school, call, different*

Reading

Next week we will be continuing with our story, 'The Pet Portrait Painter.' We will be answering retrieval questions and inference questions about different section of the book.

Topic

Geography: In Geography we are continuing our learning about weather patterns. We will be using our investigation skills to compare weather between the UK and another continent.

RE: In RE we will be thinking about what Christians believe were important events in Jesus's life and using our knowledge of chronology to place these on a timeline

PSHE: In PSHE we will be thinking about body safety and our 'private parts'. Please read below for more detail.

Art: In art we will be designing an animal to create from clay. We will be thinking about sculpture techniques that we can use to enhance our work.

Computing: In computing we will be applying our knowledge of pictograms to collect our own data and record these results within our own pictogram.

PE: We will be continuing our fundamental and dance units.

Additional notes and reminders

Advance Warning

Our RSE (Relationships and Sex Education) Policy states the need for common language to name parts of the human body. In order that the children are able to talk about their bodies in a way that enables them to explain injuries, or safeguard themselves from harm.

During our PSHE lessons on Friday next week, we will be covering our Relationship and Sex Education aspect of the subject. We will be reintroducing the correct anatomical names for all parts of our body that they learned last year in Reception. This includes the correct male and female genitalia terms.

The following terms will be taught to the children through the means of a very child friendly, age-appropriate lesson. We will be using anatomically correct dolls which will be dressed identically, and we will discuss how parents know whether their new baby is a boy or a girl.

KS1 Agreed terminology:

for external genitalia to be taught at The Mead Infant and Nursery School:

Female external genitalia -

Vulva - the area between a girl's legs, which includes the openings to the vagina and urethra

Vagina - the small opening between a girl's legs - a small tube from the outside to the inside of the body

Urethra - the tiny opening near the vagina of a tiny tube through which "wee" leaves the body

Male external genitalia -

Penis - the spongy tissue that dangles between a boy's legs. Boys urinate "wee" through a tube in their penis (the urethra)

Testicles - two plum shaped "balls" in a squashy bag (the scrotum) behind the penis.

This forms The Mead Infant School's part of the Sex Education element of RSE. Parents do have a statutory right to withdraw their child from this element but we would strongly suggest that you allow your child to access this learning, as a matter of safeguarding for your own child. If you do decide to withdraw your

child from this lesson, then it is important, however, that you discuss these terms with your child at home. The children will, undoubtedly, use this language, both at home with you, and at school, and it is often best taught in the proper context than being overheard in the playground.

If you have any questions, please contact/speak to your child's class teacher. Any requests for withdrawal from this lesson **MUST** be put in writing to the head teacher by the end of the school day on Thursday 19th January, lessons will be taught on Friday.

Homework: This week please continue to read and revise the phonics we have covered this week. We have also sent a maths and English challenge. Please check your child's book bag for a worksheet.

Please note that as the week progresses it is sometimes necessary to change what is planned to meet the learning needs of the children and therefore changes to the above may occur.