

Class Newsletter

September 2016



Welcome back!

With the new academic year upon us we look forward to a variety of investigations. Outdoor learning isn't restricted to Early Years and our topic this term is based upon our first school visit to Sheringham Park. Peacock Class will learn bush craft skills including building a base (using survival techniques).

Mr Murphy

Our school topic for this half term is: Healthy Body, Healthy Mind!

Our enquiry question is: What is nutrition, do we need it?

English

After revising Standard English pupils will be encouraged to use expected levels of grammar within their own writing (for example *noun phrases*.) Story writing topics this year shall be inspired by classic novels Hodgeheg and Carrie's War. As always, art is used to motivate pupils.



Maths

When pupils enter Peacock Class each morning a maths song is playing to encourage understanding of \times and \div facts to find a product. Our friends (below) *The Number Crunchers* are available to help children understand concepts. Mr Rumsey is expected to return to assist intervention groups.



Healthy U Topic

At Neatishead Primary School we like to use technology. When we travel; it is an opportunity to map our journey. Using traditional and new techniques we will document journeys and compare the modern world with The Stone Age. We will learn about what happened in the past and why it occurred, analysing the different evidence available.

PE

Mr Ward continues to teach PE on a Tuesday afternoon – encouraging the class to become physically active for a sustained period of time. Please encourage your child to bring their PE kit to school at all times including football boots and shin-pads for those playing football – thank you.

THEATRE ROYAL – Music Project

Peacock Class are part of a music project with Salhouse Primary (our first video is on our school website). This includes a back stage tour at the theatre – more to follow.

PSHE and RE

Upper Key Stage 2 pupils demonstrated a wonderful caring nature during lessons last year. The class shall be encouraged to maintain this skill their social and emotional awareness considering... *Christianity and Judaism*. Enquiry question: How do the 10 commandments affect the way Christians live? Pupils in Years 5 & 6 will be pleased to learn Paddy returns once more ☺

How to support at home

Please see the attached timetable for details of weekly homework. Be assured homework is always explained and examples of written methods demonstrated before setting questions. If you have any concerns, please let me know and I will be happy to help.

School Partnerships

We will continue to develop our partnership with the following schools:
Goolwa Primary School, South Australia
and
Madya Primary School, Zimbabwe

Please visit the school website for updates!

SATs

For those pupils in Year 6 SATs Week is expected to take place in the second week of May – please contact me if you have any concerns. Thank you – Mr Murphy