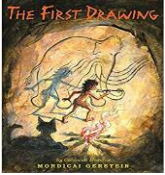




# Y3/4 – Autumn 1 2023

English		Maths	Science				
<p>This half term we will be reading the story <i>The First Drawing</i> by Mordicai Gerstein. This story is linked to the Stone Age period, which we will be learning about in history.</p>  <p>We will be writing character descriptions, as well as developing our knowledge of exciting and descriptive vocabulary. They will explore the characters' thoughts and emotions and take part in drama activities, using the structure of the original story to plan their own version.</p> <p>In reading we are following a scheme called VIPERS, which stands for vocabulary, inference, prediction, explain, retrieve and summarise. Each week we will use these skills to focus on different texts.</p> <p><b>Support at home by:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Looking at other stories with Stone Age settings</li> <li>Discuss and share favourite story characters</li> <li>Compare settings of familiar stories</li> <li>Reading a variety of stories and ask questions</li> </ul>		<p>Throughout this half term, Year 3 will be looking at developing number sense and exploring calculation strategies. We will aim to understand our number system, investigating and using number bonds. We will then move on to using addition and subtraction methods. Followed by solving money problems.</p> <p>In year 4, this half term we will be learning about place value. We will be comparing, ordering and representing 4-digit numbers. We will be rounding numbers to the nearest <b>10,100 and 1000</b>. We will then move on to addition and subtraction, using a range of methods and representations. Each day there will be a maths meeting where children reinforce their learning and once a week there will be a lesson focussing on arithmetic skills. Times tables will again be a focus and children should constantly practise these at home to underpin their learning in other areas of maths. In school, we will be following the Rockstars scheme for practising and improving times table knowledge.</p> <p>Each day there will be a maths meeting when children reinforce their learning and once a week there will be a lesson focussing on arithmetic skills.</p> <p><b>Support at home by:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Oak academy</li> <li>TTRockstars</li> <li>Sumdog</li> </ul>	<p>This term we will begin by learning all about the Human body. The muscular, digestive, skeletal and nervous system. We will then move on to learn different classification of plants and animals and their life cycles.</p> 				
			Computing				
			<p>This half term children will be learning all about the internet. They will be able to recognise networks including WWW and why we should evaluate online content to ensure we are being safe online.</p>				
Personal Development	Humanities	Creative	PE				
<p>We will be following the Sheffield scheme for RSHE and covering...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How do I manage my feelings?</li> <li>Online strangers</li> <li>Road Safety</li> </ul> <p>In RE this half term, we will be looking at the religion Hinduism. Children will explore the different beliefs and gods Hindus believe in as well as looking at their place of worship.</p>	<p>In History this term, we will be learning about the Stone Age to the Iron Age. Children will find out about Mesolithic hunters and gatherers, discover what life was like in Neolithic Britain, the Bronze Age and The Iron Age.</p> <p>In Geography, children will be taught about the eight-point compass, ordnance survey maps and the symbols they use. We will then locate places on a map using a letter and number grid reference.</p>	<p>In Art the children will be looking at lines and shapes. We will study the artist Hokusai and recreating <i>The Great Wave</i>. They will then carry out an extended project to produce a detailed monoprint, using polystyrene.</p>  <p>During this term in BSL, we will be learning signs for the alphabet, greetings, families and emotions.</p> <p>In music this half term children will be focusing their learning on one song called Mamma Mia. Children will learn to sing, play, improvise and compose with the well known song.</p>	<p>Please make sure your children have appropriate PE kit available in school. This term, we will be focusing on athletics for Indoor PE and fundamentals for Outdoor PE.</p> <p><b>Year 4</b> will be going for swimming lessons this term every Friday. Please remember to send children to school with their swimming costumes and a towel, and with any earrings taken out.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="1666 1209 2175 1430"> <tr> <td> <b>Miss Jones</b> Indoor PE – Thursday Outdoor PE - Friday                 </td> <td> <b>Miss Lane</b> Indoor PE – Tuesday Outdoor PE - Monday                 </td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2" style="text-align: center;"> <b>Miss Derbyshire</b> Indoor PE – Thursday Outdoor PE - Friday                 </td> </tr> </table>	<b>Miss Jones</b> Indoor PE – Thursday Outdoor PE - Friday	<b>Miss Lane</b> Indoor PE – Tuesday Outdoor PE - Monday	<b>Miss Derbyshire</b> Indoor PE – Thursday Outdoor PE - Friday	
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<b>Useful Information</b>			<b>Dates for your diary:</b>				

**Homework** – Homework is given out every Friday and due back the following Wednesday. Children also need to read at home every day, record a short summary in their reading record and hand this in each day to their teacher.

Welcome to the phase meeting will be held on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September where we will be going through key events that take place in Y3 and Y4.

**Parental engagement:** Further details to be confirmed.

History Workshop- 27<sup>th</sup> September

**Website links:**

- Y2 – Y6 TTRockstars: <https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school/student/2498>
- Y1 – Y2 Numbots: <https://play.numbots.com/#/account/school-login/2498>
- Y1 – Y6 Bug Club <https://www.activelearnprimary.co.uk/login?c=0>

**Contacting your child's teacher**

You can speak to your child's class teacher at the end of the school day or by emailing the school office who will pass on your question so the teacher can contact you.