

Curriculum News February 2009

Yellow Class Topic: Opposites

Focus Area: History

Staff	Miss Taylor and Mrs Cashmore	
Numeracy	In Numeracy this term we will be focusing on place value, addition, subtraction, multiplication and digital and analogue times to the nearest 15 minutes.	
Literacy	In Literacy, the children will be developing their phonic knowledge using the Ruth Miskin scheme. We shall be making lots of cross curricular links with Science and History, writing riddles and continuing our work on diaries. In addition to this we will be working on story writing skills.	
Science	This term the children will be investigating plants and animals in their local environment. If you manage to get any pictures of any animal you find locally, please feel free for your child to bring it in for our display, alternatively you can email it to me to print up.	
RE	In RE the children will be focusing on Water and its significance in different Holy books. They will be learning about Noah and where his story can be found. They will also be learning about Baptism, Lent and Easter.	
PSHE	The children will be learning to recognize their own strengths and how to set themselves realistic goals, whilst learning to resist distractions.	
ART	We shall be continuing our work on Andy Goldsworthy and comparing him to other artists such as Bridget Riley, Piet Mondrian and Barbara Hepworth. We will be investigating how to make sculptures permanent and make links to our Science topic.	
PE	In PE, the children will be recreating the movements of machines in response to music and they will be learning new playground games.	
ICT	Our focus this term is on controlling roamers. The children will be sequencing and developing instructions, making predictions and investigating results.	
Geography	We will continue to use Barnaby Bear to develop the children's knowledge and understanding of the world. So far, he has been for a ride on a Fire Engine and travelled by aeroplane to California and Nevada and is visiting the Isle of Wight by Ferry this weekend! If you are planning to go anywhere or use an unusual method of transport, please let me know and take Barnaby with you. Thank you	
Music	Our Music focus will be on learning about pitch.	
History	This is our main focus for this term and we will be learning all about the Great Fire of London. I am hoping to take the children to London by train this term to visit the Monument. Please let me know if you may be able to travel with us to ensure a high adult to child ratio for such a trip, thank you.	
Homework: Will be given on Mondays to be returned the following Monday. It will consist of Maths, spellings and Comprehension work.		
Useful Websites: BBC schools + http://www.numberlinelane.co.uk/ http://www.channel4.com/history/microsites/H/history/fire		Other: Please continue to hear your child read each night... it really is making a tremendous difference in their reading skills