

Useful Websites

Here are some useful websites that you could use with your child to find out more about our topic:

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/primaryhistory/famouspeople/>

www.ngkids.co.uk

<http://primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk>

Homework

English, Maths or a themed homework will be given out on a Friday and should be completed and returned by the following Tuesday. Spelling words will be set on a Monday and tested that Friday, in addition to the children's mental maths targets. It would be helpful if you could support your child in learning these spellings. Children should read with an adult for at least 10 minutes 3 times a week or more (this could include discussion of the text and prediction activities). Please ensure that this reading is recorded in their reading records and signed by an adult, which should be brought in to school each day and taken care of by the children. Reading books will be changed as necessary, upon children identifying when they have completed their book.

P.E.

The children take part in swimming on Mondays and PE on Thursdays. Please help your child to have both their swimming and P.E. kit in school each Monday ready for the lessons. Children will bring their swimming kits home on a Monday and their P.E. kits home on a Friday if you wish.

We are always pleased to see you to discuss your child. However, we do ask that unless you have some urgent information for the day, that you try to see us after school, when we will have more time to talk to you.



Class Information

Class 2

Term 3

Famous People



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Surfleet Primary School

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Curriculum News



Maths

The children's mathematical learning this term will begin with a basic skills week, focusing on comparing and ordering numbers, including place value. We will then be moving our maths learning onto addition and subtraction. Following this, the children will learn how to recognise 2d and 3d shapes. Class 2 will then be learning how to collect and analyse data as well as find fractions of shapes and quantities, including sets of objects. Finally, we will be learning and applying methods for the four operations.

Science

Our new unit in science this term is 'Rocks and Soils'. Class 2 will be learning about different rocks and soils in their local area. They will begin to become fossil experts and start to build up exhibits in their own fossil museum. We will also be carrying out an enquiry into finding out the hardness and permeability of different rocks, as well as using a rock identification key to help identify different rocks and soils. We will then study the life of Mary Anning and her contribution to the science of palaeontology and geology.

Term 3: Famous People

This term, Class 2 will begin their new study unit 'Famous People', in which the children will learn about famous people and why they are famous. We will begin our topic by sharing our presentations and research that we have completed during half term and thinking about what we want to find out during this topic.

Study Unit

This term we will be looking at the lives of famous people. Our focus will be on Charles Darwin, David Attenborough, Mary Anning and Leonardo Da Vinci and their contributions to society. We will be investigating when they lived, what they did to become famous and why are they still relevant today.

This term in Computing, Class 2 will be continuing with the unit called 'We are Astronauts' in which the children will use an app called 'Scratch Junior' to create and debug simple programs. Music this term will be delivered by class teachers, inspired by the Music Express scheme.

English/Languages

In English this term, we will begin by reading Stone Age Boy by Satoshi Kitamura and writing narrative linked to the story as well as taking part in a class debate and using drama to retell a story. We will then look at fact files and create our own fact file about a famous person.

Towards the end of the term, we will be looking at poetry about dinosaurs. Children will learn, compose and perform their own poems using a variety of different forms such as shape poetry and haiku.

RE/PSHE

Our unit this term in RE we will be learning about Judaism. We will start off by looking at books that are special to children and then look at the Torah and why it is special to Jewish people.

This term's PSHE focus is 'Going for goals' where children will begin by reflecting on their previous learning. They will look at themselves as a learner and identify what type of learner they are. They will then look at identifying advantages and disadvantages of goal setting and look at solutions to help achieve their goals.