



Shelfton Infant School

Class 5



Curriculum Newsletter

November 2019 - Autumn 2

Our topic is: People Who Help Us



English

- We will continue to develop our reading skills through daily phonics sessions, guided reading sessions, shared reading and individual reading practise. We will have spelling challenges each week as well as specific work on handwriting. Y1 will continue to form written sentences using capital letters, finger spaces and full stops. Y2 will improve their skills by adding detail (adjectives) and extending ideas with new conjunctions (*with, that, if*). Y1 will keep working on handwriting while Y2 will continue working towards joining their handwriting, always ensuring correct formation.

Maths

- Y1: counting in 1s and 10s; recognising and writing numbers correctly; finding one more or one less than a number to 30; addition with numbers to 20; subtraction with numbers to 20; recognising the British coins and learning how to use these to pay for items; position and direction; learning to tell the time (o'clock and half past)
- Y2: revise place value and partitioning 2 digit numbers; key number fluency skills such as counting in 2s, 5s and 10s (forwards and backwards); fractions (half, quarter, three quarters); tell the time to the o'clock, half past and quarter past on an analogue clock; data collection including how to construct pictograms, tally charts and simple tables; learn about measurements (mass, length, capacity and temperature)

Science

Year 1 Science sessions will concentrate on the changing seasons - a topic we will also cover through English by creating fact files about Autumn. The Year 2 children will focus on conducting experiments linked to hygiene, learning how to observe, record and evaluate their findings.

RE

- Y1: Christian Beliefs - Year 1 children will learn about Christianity. They will focus on Christian beliefs and the nativity.
- Y2: Believing - looking at celebrations and festivals of different faiths, looking at the symbols associated with a variety of faiths too.

Art/Design and Technology

- In Year 1 the children will learn about the work of Derby painter, Joseph Wright. They will investigate a range of his works and attempt to create their own artwork inspired by Wright's techniques and style.
- In Year 2 the children will design a healthy meal, use cutting and grating skills and evaluate their meals.

Geography

- In Year 2, the children will investigate the features of London and compare London to Derby.

History

- In Year 1, the children will learn about Florence Nightingale and her important contributions to nursing and healthcare.

Computing

- Children will continue to explore the class computers and Ipads. They will use the coding software throughout the term. We will be talking about being safe online and there will be offline digital skills activities.

PE

- The children will be continuing to develop their gymnastics skills and create their own sequence of actions incorporating different travels, jumps and balances—please make sure they have a named PE kit with PE pumps in school.

Trips- the children in Year 1 will visit the Derby museum to see the bones of the Allenton Hippo and, in particular, look at the work of Joseph Wright.

You can help your child by:

- Listening to your child read regularly, noting this in your child's Reading Record book (at least 3 times a week).
- Encourage your child to learn the words and associated spelling rules highlighted on the provided Spellings sheet.
- Practise counting using objects (in 2s, 5s and 10s), find one more/less, and practise simple practical addition and subtraction. Please practise counting backwards from any number too!
- Play games to encourage turn taking and concentration skills.

Achieve well!

Aim high!

Have fun!

Dates and events in school this half term

Don't forget -