

Dosbarth Skomer Curriculum Letter - Spring 2020



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Science

Throughout the term there will be dedicated lessons taught during topic sessions. Our focus this term will be discovering the properties of materials, experimenting and testing materials that change, and exploring water/fire resistant materials. The children have also chosen to examine recyclable materials and biodegradable materials to support our reduction of waste and the protection of our planet. This is something the children are very passionate about.

Topic

Our first topic this term is 'Marvellous Materials'. We will be exploring this topic across the curriculum linking in science, history, geography, Welsh, art and D.T, and will support the development of Literacy, Numeracy and ICT skills. Throughout this topic, the children will be at the centre of their learning in planning what they would like to find out. The children have decided to explore materials found under the sea, recyclable materials and materials that are water and fire resistant. We will end the spring term by exploring our next topic 'Extreme Earth'.

Notes

Homework - Spellings, times tables and reading every week. New spellings and timetables sent home each Friday. Optional written homework will be sent out in homework books at the start of each half term. Children will earn a raffle ticket for each piece completed.

Diaries - to be brought in everyday with individual reading book and reading record.

PE- Every Wednesday. Full PE kit to be worn.

Year 5's are swimming this half term.

R.E

The children will explore the following 'Come and See' topics: 'Community' (Life in the local Christian community), 'Giving & Receiving' (Living in Communion) 'Self Discipline' (Celebrating growth to new life). We will also take part in collective worship and attend mass every three weeks.

Welsh

The children will study a variety of sentence patterns to be able to talk about a person and write about 'Dewi Sant'. The children will also be able to talk about a person and their actions during our topic of 'Teithio'. The children will also have daily oracy and reading sessions to support their welsh language development.

Literacy

The children will cover the following topics this term:

Non-fiction: Discussion and Explanation texts.

Fiction: Journey/Quests and Playscripts.

The children will have opportunities to develop their literacy skills across the curriculum. We will be reading a class novel each term. The children will also be taking part in literacy missions where they have the opportunity to apply their previously learned skills.

Maths

This term the children will study lines of symmetry, identifying and measuring angles, properties of 3D shapes, odd and even numbers, sequencing numbers, multiplication and division operations, whole numbers, time including analogue and 24 hour, fractions, negative numbers, measuring and comparing weight, mass and capacity, gathering and interpreting data, creating bar, line, and pie charts. We will also have opportunities to practise our problem solving and reasoning skills through weekly reasoning lessons, missions and challenges.

