



Lark Hall Infant and Nursery Academy

KS1- Newsletter Spring 2 2024

Mr Roberts and Miss Hill



This term we are learning:

Year 2 Curriculum

Something seems to have clicked with the Year 2 from the start of the New Year. Their English, particularly their handwriting, is coming along a real treat. Looking back at where they started to where they are has shown a significant improvement and is down to some real hard work. Well done to all of the children.

In English, we are still continuing our big push on handwriting and spelling. We want the children to go to Flax Hill feeling really confident with these basic skills so that they can focus on the other challenges that they will face when going to a new school. Much of English will be focused on encouraging the children to make their writing exciting by using adjectives (describing words).

Last term in maths, we emphasised the important skills of addition, subtraction and addition; we will keep revisiting them but will also look at areas such as capacity (measuring liquids) and mass (measuring weights) where we can practice maths with practical materials.

In History we are going to continue our look at Florence Nightingale but will also join year 1 for their Castles experience day. In geography we are continuing to investigate what it would be like to visit Kenya on Safari. We also have Staffordshire County Council visiting us to do some geography around water.

In DT, the children will have the opportunity to design and make some wallets from felt-this also involves a little sewing. The class is really enjoying the art curriculum this year and this half term they will learn printing skills using a range of materials. In R.E. we are looking at Judaism but in particular the Torah-comparing it to the Bible. Our PHSE topic is Healthy Me and Science is about how plants grow. It will be fascinating to see if the bulbs we planted in forest school earlier in the school year will germinate or whether the squirrels have stolen them all!



Naughty Squirrel !

Year 1 Curriculum

It is going to be an exciting start to the term for Year 1 as we have invited in guests to teach the children about Castles. Also, just like Year 2, we have guests from Staffordshire County Council to teach us about water.

This half-term our English will be based upon the book "The Way Back Home" which is a space story. In maths, our focus will be on multiplication, division (sharing) and money (recognising the coins we use and how to add them).

In history and geography we are continuing with the topics of castles and around the world respectively.

In R.E. the class will be looking at Christianity and in particular what Jesus taught us.

During the second half of the Spring term the children will have the opportunity to look at and make different types of masks from around the world. In science the children will be learning about plants and specifically how to identify common garden flowers and trees.

Finally, in PHSE we are looking at Healthy Me.



Message from the teachers:

The children have really taken on board our aim to ensure that snacks that they bring into school are healthy options. It is quite apt that both year 1 and 2 will be looking at Healthy Me" in PHSE this half term so that we can continue to build on what we have learned so far. Can we also thank you for continuing to support PTA who do so much work in their free time to create some lovely experiences for the children. We know they have got so much planned for the remainder of the school year so keep an eye out for PTA updates.

Music and PE Days Music is on Tuesday with Mrs Walters and P.E is on a Thursday and Friday with Mr Cross.