

Possible ways of helping your child with their work this half term:

- Ensure that they complete any homework given.
- Visit the library to look at or borrow books connected with the work that your child is doing.
- Use the internet and visit some of the websites listed below to research information.
- Visit places of interest connected with the work that your child is doing.
- Allow your child to bring information into school to share with the rest of the class.

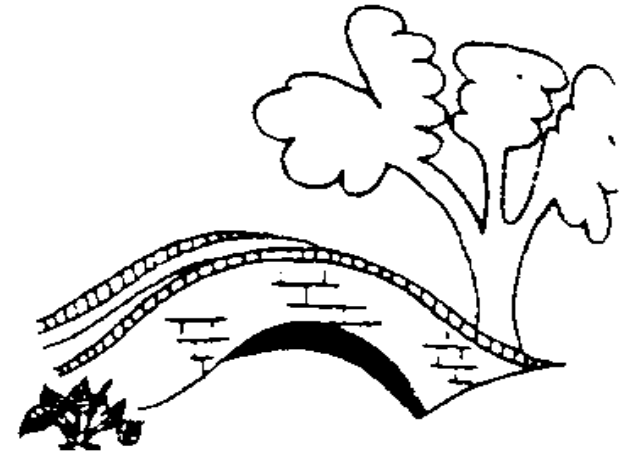
Useful Websites:

This webpage covers many aspects of our topic
[KS1 Topics: Travel and transport - BBC Teach](#)

Another good BBC site with quizzes and puzzles
[How has transport on land changed? - BBC Bitesize](#)

A good video for looking at timelines and change
[KS1 History. Changes within living memory: Transport - BBC Teach](#)

Whixall CE Primary School and Nursery



Curriculum Information for Parents

Autumn Term 2023

Mayfly Class

English

In our English lessons this term, we will be going 'on an adventure' and exploring four different picture books together, whilst learning about fiction writing so that we can write our own exciting adventure stories. In addition to these lessons, we will have daily focused phonics, spelling and handwriting sessions. There will also be daily opportunities to read, both individually and as part of guided reading.

Mathematics

In our maths lessons we will begin by revising the important facts we need to be confident with, to be able to apply to methods such as bridging 10. We will then go on to focus on subtraction as difference. We will then focus on grouping and groups of two in preparation for learning the two times tables in the future. After this we will be focussing on 2D and 3D shape.

Science

Our topic this term is entitled, 'Me and my Senses'. It is chance to find out about the importance of our senses and what parts of our bodies are responsible for our senses. We will also be looking at animal life cycles and how we change as humans as we grow. After that, we will be looking at ways we can keep ourselves healthy. We will also be taking part in an ongoing study of the seasons throughout the year.

Humanities

Our topic this term is entitled 'Amazing Adventures' and is an opportunity to learn about how vehicles have changed over time as well as the lives and actions of the pioneers who helped this change take place, such as the Wright Brothers and their contribution to aeroplane design. We will also be looking at how this change has impacted our local area, with a study of the canals. As part of this topic, we will be visiting RAF Cosford Museum.

P.S.H.E. (Personal, Social and Health Education)

This term we will be exploring the 'Being me in the World' and 'Celebrating difference,' units of work, in which we think about the question, Who am I and how do I fit in? Then we will go on to think about being unique and showing respect for similarity and difference.

P.E.

For our P.E this term, we will be swimming at Market Drayton Swimming Baths on a Wednesday morning. There may also be additional coaching sessions throughout the term and the dates for these sessions will be communicated to you so the children can come dressed in their P.E kits.

Art and Design

We are inspired by our topic for art and design and will be studying the work of a variety of artists. We will be developing our art skills each week included sketching, colour mixing and how to use painting techniques.

Design Technology

Our DT work will be closely linked to our topic work and will involve designing and making our own wheeled vehicles and learning about axels.

Spanish

We continue to receive fantastic support from Mrs Acs for our Spanish lessons throughout this term. The children in Year 2 will be continuing to develop their conversational skills, including introducing themselves in Spanish, saying the days and week, colours and the names of animals.

R.E

The children will think about how each person is unique and valuable and consider religious beliefs about this. The children will think about groups to which they belong, how some people belong to religious groups and what this means. The children will look at occasions marking belonging from a number of faiths.

Computing

This term the children in Year 2 will start the term by learning about the importance of internet safety. We will then go to explore the question, what is a computer?

Music

We are very fortunate to have continued input from the Shropshire Music Service with Mrs Hawke. She will teach the children about the features of music, such as rhythm and melody and give the children many opportunities to play percussion instruments and learn new songs to sing.