ORTON WISTOW PRIMARY SCHOOL CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

Academic Year: 2022/2023 Term: Autumn

Year Group: 1 Topic Title: Blast From The Past

Subject	Learning
English - Reading English - Class Texts	During Autumn 1 we will study 'The Jolly Postman' by Janet and Allan Ahlberg. We will investigate how illustrations influence a readers' experience of a text and explore how the author uses language to create empathy. In Autumn 2, we will turn our attention to 'Traction Man' by Mini Grey. We will develop skills of inference (reading around text) by making deductions about the characters' feelings, thoughts and motives for their actions. This term we will read together a range of texts from both the past and the present loosely based around toys.
English - Writing	Power of Reading text 'Traction Man': Describe a setting Describe a character Re-tell the story Power of Reading text 'The Jolly Postman': Write from a character's point of view Write instructions Understand some of the features of a letter Compare stories: Re-tell stories Compare stories in a series Describe characters Poetry: Read and compare a range of poems Use adjectives Write our own poems Perform poems
English – Phonics/Spelling	We will continue phonics where the children left in the EYFS, re-capping Phase 3 and 4 and then beginning with Phase 5 sounds and words.

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Mathematics	In maths we will be focussing on Number and the calculations of addition and subtraction • Counting to 2O • Comparing and Ordering Numbers • Number Bonds • Number Stories • Addition and Subtraction within 2O We will also be investigating 2D shapes: squares, circles, triangles and rectangles and 3D shapes: cubes, cuboids, spheres, cones and pyramids. We look at simple repeating patterns and think about the simple properties of these shapes. Will they roll? How many sides do they have? What is the same/different?
Science	 Our Science this term is based around everyday materials. We will: Identify and name a variety of everyday materials. Describe the simple, physical properties of the materials. Distinguish between an object and the material it is made from. Compare and group together a variety of everyday materials on the basis of their physical properties. Investigate which material would be most suitable to make an umbrella for a teddy. Observe seasonal changes as Summer turns to Autumn and Autumn turns to Winter.
Computing	In computing, the children will explore computational thinking skills, learn about algorithms and how to write and follow them.
History	 As historians we will answer the following questions: What are our toys like? What are other people's toys like? How can we tell the toys are old? What were our grandparents' toys like? Who played with these toys a long time ago? How can we set up a toy museum?
Art & Design	Our first unit of work is based around Joan Miro and surrealists sculptures. We will learn about the primary colours and how to manipulate clay.
Music	In music, we will be using Charanga to follow the units 'Hey You'. We will be: Concentrating on listening and appraising different pieces of music Improvising music Performing our compositions Explore the piece Mars by Holst (BBC Ten Pieces)

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Design Technololgy	For our DT project this Autumn, we will be desiging and making moving vehicles:
	Evaluate existing products
	Explore wheels and axles
	Design a car before creating and testing the designs.
	Our outdoor PE will consist of Fitness and Football
	Our objectives are:
	Develop agility
	Develop co-ordination
	Control of a ball
	Evaluate performance
PE	Our indoor PE will consist of dance and gymnastics:
	Our objectives are:
	Respond in the correct manner for commands
	 Repeat simple movements in dance.
	 Dynamic balance using apparatus
	 Developing basic balances using different body parts
	Develop ability to hold a balance.
	Our focus this term is Christianity. We will be discovering:
	 How does being a Christian make a difference to family life?
	 Where and when do Christians worship God?
RE	Who do Christians say Jesus was?
	 Why the cross is important to Christians?
	 Why is the story of the Prodigal son so important to Christians?
	What do Christians celebrate at Christmas?

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PSHE / RSE	During the first half term, we will be learning about: What keeping healthy means and how to keep healthy including: Diet Exercise and sleep Hygiene We will also be learning about our feelings and recognising how these feelings can affect our bodies. We will also learn about things we can do to help us keep control of our emotions as well as recognising how others may be feeling. In the second hals term we will learn about: The role different people play in our lives and identify the people who care for us The different types of families and identify features of a family. Who to tell if you are uncomfortable about your own family What makes a good friend How to recognise when you/someone else feels lonely. Strategies to resolve arguements.
Online-Safety	 We will learn: Pupils learn that they can go to different places online but they need to follow certain rules to keep safe. Pupils learn how to search for things on the internet using the alphabet.