Sow, Grow and Farm

This term our Topic is 'Sow, Grow and Farm'. The class is going to be learning about the features and characteristics of land use in agricultural regions across the world, including a detailed exploration of significant environmental areas.

Some of our English is linked to our Topic as we are going to be writing Non-chronological reports about allotments. Some of the other areas we are going to be covering are diary entries, leaflets and balanced arguments. We will be using our class book to help us with our creative writing. The class book this term is going to be 'The Secret Garden by Frances Hodgson Burnett.



In Maths we are continuing to practice and develop our strategies when multiplying and dividing. We will also be revisiting fractions to develop our knowledge on this topic. Some of the other topic we will be covering are decimals and percentages, measurements and statistics.

This term in Science we will be looking at animal life cycles, including the human life cycle. They explore human growth and development to old age, including the changes experienced during puberty and human reproduction.



In RE we are continuing to look into understanding Christianity and the area that we are covering over the next term is 'people of god'. We will be looking closely at the story of Moses and the connections to the concepts to freedom and salvation.

Lines, lights and shadows is the first topic we will be covering in Art followed by Natures art. In Lines, lights and shadows the children will learn about the visual qualities of line, light and shadow. They explore the work of Pablo Picasso and Rembrandt and are introduced to a range of shading techniques. They take black and white photographs and use pencil, pen and ink wash to reimagine their photographs in a shaded drawing. Then in, Nature's art they will be learning about the genre of land art. They work outdoors to sketch natural forms and explore the sculptural potential of natural materials before working collaboratively to create land art installations.

This term our PE days are Monday and Friday. On a Monday we will developing our skill in hockey and playing mini tournaments in each lesson to practices the skills we have learnt in that lesson. On a Friday we will be doing dance. In these lessons we will be building on the skills that they have learnt in the previous years. All children need to wear their school PE kit into school on those days. No earrings are allowed to be worn during PE lessons therefore the children need to be able to take them out themselves, or have to have them taken out in the morning before school.

Children need to complete their homelearning every week. That is both tasks that are on the sheet that go home every week. Along side that the children also have a set of spellings that they need to learn, where they will be tested later on that week (Friday).

Lastly a word about reading! Please encourage your child to read each evening, books that they enjoy. It is so important in this age of technology that we invest in <u>their</u> future to become lifelong readers.

Thank you for your support.

Miss Ellis

