

Welcome to Centaur class

Welcome back! We hoped you all had a wonderful Christmas time full of happiness and family time! We are now starting term 3 with new exciting topics.



History

For the next two terms, Centaur class will dive in to Ancient Egypt. An exciting topic for children as many of them already know something about that civilisation.

We will learn about the Egyptian society, the powerful Pharaohs and much more!

Science

In Science, our topic for this term is The Use of Everyday Materials. Children will learn what we use different materials for. They will learn their properties and compare strengths. There will be some investigation and practical activities too. Children will also do Forest School learning which will link nicely with our materials topic.

English

In Literacy, we will be finishing *The Great Fire of London* which was delayed due to Nativity practise. Furthermore, we have another exciting book called *'Grandads' Camper'* by Harry Woodgate which focus on Fiction - Adventure. Children will be learning how to use subordination in writing plus how to turn adjectives into adverbs and use them in writing. They will also learn how to use speech marks in dialogue.

Reading and Phonics

In KS2, children will have reading sessions/lessons on a daily basis, so they can learn the different readings skills to understand what they are reading. We call this, 'Comprehension'.

However, reading at home is still a non-negotiable. To make good progress in reading, a child must read at least three times a week. We also read with children at school.

P.S.H.E

This term, we will focus on *Dreams and Goals* which helps children understand the importance of aspirations in life and how to work towards them.



PE

Centaur class will be doing Gymnastics and Functional Fitness which is a type of exercise that helps children develop strength, coordination and endurance through movements we use in real life.

Computing

This term, in Purple Mash we will learn how to use simple Spreadsheets and to calculate. We will also cover computer and internet safety.

Maths

In maths, both year groups will be doing multiplication and division. Year 2 will be concentrating in learning the 2, 5 and 10 times tables and will learn to multiply by grouping and arrays but also divide by sharing and grouping. Year 3 will add the 3, 4 and 8 times tables and they will start learning to multiply 2-digit numbers by 1-digit number using column multiplication. For division, they will learn to divide using remainders.

Spanish

In term 3, children will finish the topic of animals and then, we will start a new unit where children will focus on learning fruit and vegetables in Spanish. They will also practise how to say 'I like'.

RE

Our topic this term focuses on the Gospel and what news Jesus brought to the world.

DT

This term, in Design and Technology, children will learn the necessary skills to create puppets.

Music

The Charanga unit for this term is 'Inventing a musical story'. There will be role play with music and singing.