





SCHOOL NOTICE BOARD







Spring 2 Newsletter

Welcome back everyone; it has been lovely to be back at school and to see all the children again. We hope that you all had a great break and that the children are ready for another term of jam-packed learning!

What are we learning this half term?

English

This half term the children will be using the story of Billy and the Beast as their core text. We will be writing a diary, formal letter, a narrative, character descriptions and instructions using the core text.

We will continue to practise letter formation with daily handwriting sessions and improving reading with weekly/twice-weekly guided reading sessions. You can also help you child by reading on Bug Club or reading children's books for children who have finished the books on Bug Club.

The children will continue to learn new spellings and grammar in preparation for our end of term assessments. We will also be running intensive phonic interventions for children who still need some support in this area. Please do ask any questions about how you can support in English at home.

Maths

The children are currently finishing the topic of multiplication and division, before moving on to length and height. We will then begin our topic of mass, capacity and temperature before moving on to fractions. We will test the children on their times tables each week and revisit previous learning so that the children have a strong understanding of previous learning.

Science

To start the term, we will be recapping our knowledge of materials and comparing different types of materials and their properties. We will also look at materials in D.T., so there will be plenty of opportunities for hands on activities and cross-curricular learning.

R.E.

We will be answering the key question of 'What Do Christians Think God is Like?' by using the parable of 'The Lost Son'. We will look at forgiveness and explore some of the key messages from the parable. The children will also think about forgiveness from their own point of view and when they might find it hard to forgive someone.

History/ Geography

In History, we will be studying historical events, people and places in Poplar. We will conduct a local area study and examine the ways in which Poplar has changed over the years.

Our Geography unit this term will focus on fieldwork and map skills. We will examine different human and physical features while using maps, compasses and photographs to gain a better understanding of the UK and surrounding areas.