Eagle Class Curriculum Letter

Autumn Term 2 2023

This half term, our topic is called 'Lights, Camera, Action!' and will be based on the work of Shakespeare. Children will be given plenty of opportunities to perform across a range of subjects. Below is an outline of our learning in a range of key subjects. I hope you find it useful when supporting your child with their learning.



English



Our key text in English this half term is 'Macbeth'. We will be writing a range of texts, including a character description, a letter, a persuasive argument and some poetry; all inspired by Shakespeare's tragedy. We will use a range of drama techniques to understand the story, its characters and the decisions they make.

You can help at home by:

Continuing to encourage your child to read their own choice of books. Listen to them read and talk about what is happening in the story, make predictions and discuss the choices made by the author – these discussions are highly beneficial in helping your child to consider their own choices when writing.

Maths

This half term we will be learning to:

- convert metric units;
- find the area, perimeter and volume of shapes;
- measure angles with a protractor;
- calculate missing angles.

You can help at home by:

Practising times tables – either using minute games or the Times Tables Rock Stars App. Quick recall of mental maths facts makes a huge difference!

Useful websites:

<u>http://www.mymaths.co.uk/</u> (login and password provided) <u>https://ttrockstars.com/</u> (login and password provided)

Design Technology

In our Design and Technology lessons this half term, we will be making our own motor-powered vehicles! We will bring together our skills from a range of subjects, including maths, science, D.T. and art and design. We will make, test and evaluate our creations. We will use a range of tools and materials to construct our vehicles and, at the end of the half term, we will go head to head to race them!

Music

This half term, we will be preparing for our final Christmas performances! We will be using our voices with increasing fluency, control and expression.

Science

In our science lessons, we will be constructing simple circuits to answer questions about different components, such as buzzers, switches, bulbs and motors. We will learn how to represent our circuits using recognised symbols. We will use all this knowledge to power our own vehicles in D.T.

RE/French

This half term, Mrs Jackson will be teaching French and RE. In French, we will learn to talk about clothes and in RE, we will explore what Christmas means to different groups of people.

Homework, Spellings and PE

This half term's homework will follow the same format as the last and a 'Homework Menu' will be sent home with your child with a choice of tasks to complete over the half term. As well as these tasks, please read with your child daily (or encourage your child to read to themselves) and practise minute games and spellings. Spellings will be sent home (and added to Spelling Frame) every Friday and tested the following Thursday. Eagle Class PE lessons will continue to be on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Lessons will take place both indoors and outdoors. Therefore, please ensure your child has the correct P.E. kit (trainers, white t-shirt and black shorts) in school.