



Elmton Class Curriculum Newsletter



Autumn Term 1

Welcome to Elmton Class! I hope you had a lovely summer holiday and I am looking forward to an exciting year ahead. This year, we will be learning about a range of topics, including the weather, map skills, Guy Fawkes, explorers, Shireoaks, the seaside, caring people, animals, seasons, materials and much more!

Maths

In maths, the children will be learning about place value, addition and subtraction. They will be learning how to find one more or less, how to recognise numbers as words and how compare and order numbers within 10. They will also be recapping the number bonds within 10, looking at the fact families.

English

For our English genre, we will be learning how to write a narrative. We will be spending lots of time learning how to punctuate our sentences correctly using full stops, capital letters and finger spaces. We will be using role play and hot seating to help us understand the stories we are reading, as well as helping us to remember the key characters and events.

Science

In Science, we will be learning about seasonal changes. We will be learning about the different seasons, the changes in each season, the months of the year and what we might wear in each season.

Homework

Children are expected to read three times a week and practise their spellings in preparation for the weekly spelling. In addition to this, the children will receive a piece of Maths work or English work relating to what we have done in the week. The children's books will be changed on a Monday and homework, including spellings, will go home on a Friday.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me via the office email: office@st-lukes.notts.sch.uk

Geography

Our topic is weather. We will be learning about the differences between weather and climate, basic climate zones and the conditions in cold, hot and temperate climate zones. The children will be learning about weather forecasts and the symbols used to display weather conditions, as well as various weather instrument and how to use them.

Computing

Elmton Class will be learning about Purple Mash and how to be creative on a laptop/iPad. We will be learning how to use the internet safely and how to log in to Purple Mash, as well as learning how to save, print and open our work.

PE

For PE this half term, we will be learning ball skills and fundamental skills.

Our PE days are Monday and Thursday.

D&T

In D&T, we will be learning about mechanisms. We will be learning how to make wheels and axels to create our own pull along toy.

PSHE

Our PSHE topic for this half term is 'Being Me in My World'. We will be learning how to make people feel welcome, our class, our rights and responsibilities, rewards, consequences and everyone's feelings.

Afterschool Clubs

- **Monday: Cooking/Baking Club**
- **Tuesday: Board Games Club**
- **Wednesday: Hockey Club**
- **Thursday: Arts & Crafts Club**
- **Friday: Movie Club**

RE

We will be learning about Creation and Harvest in our RE lessons. We will develop our understanding of how God created the world and why harvest is important.

Music

For our music lessons, we will be learning how to sing, play instruments as an ensemble and also learn new vocabulary such as a beat and rhythm of the music.

Diary Dates:

- 3rd September - Children return to school
- 19th September - Jeans for Genes Day £1 donation
- 26th September - Macmillan Coffee Morning at 9am
- 29th September - Black History Focus Week
- 1st October - Phonics Parent Workshop at 5pm
- 3rd October - TT Rockstars Day. Dress as rockstars!
- 7th October - Elmton's trip to Weston Park
- 8th October - Reading Parent's Workshop at 5pm
- 13th October - Book Fair Week
- 13th October - Fire Engine Visit & Fireworks Safety Workshop
- 14th October - Parent's Evening
- 15th October - World Mental Health Day (Non-uniform)
- 15th October - Parent's Evening
- 17th October - Red Card to Racism (Wear red)
- 17th October - Last Day