

Weekly Updates 27.09.2019

Year 1

We have had another busy week. The children are now becoming familiar with our routines and have settled well into life in Year One! We are continuing to work with our transition timetable and the children are responding well to this, enjoying the mixture of adult led, independent and their own choice of activity.

In Science this week, we have begun work on our five senses, beginning with hearing.

In Literacy next week we are beginning our work on traditional tales starting with the story of The Enormous Turnip. In Maths we are focusing on the vocabulary of greater than, less than and equal to and will be comparing both numbers and objects.

Thank you for support in hearing your children read at home. It really does help with their development and fluency. Please continue to record your child's reading in their log book as usual so that they can change their books.

Please can you ensure that your child has a raincoat in school as the weather is a little damp at the moment! Thank you.

Have a lovely weekend.

The Year One Team

Year 2

This week Year 2 enjoyed researching their topic in the school library, finding interesting facts about sea creatures and illustrating them. We also studied the work of a children's book illustrator (a Seberr Wood parent!) and tried creating our own versions. In Geography we looked at what jobs there might be at a seaside and compared these to jobs in our local area.

In English Mrs Alexander/Mrs Gilbert's groups have been looking at rhyming words using 'The Owl and the Pussycat'. Mr Winch's group have finished writing their 'Finding Nemo' stories and are now looking at spelling past tense words.

In Maths both groups continue to work on number, including place value, counting in steps and number bonds.

We are in need of plastic tubs and bottles for a science experiment please in a few weeks time! – if you have any you're about to recycle, please send them in and we'll put them to good use, thank you for your help.

Have a great weekend

The Year 2 Team

Year 2

We have had an exciting week of learning with a fascinating history lesson on Howard Carter's discovery of Tutankhamen's tomb in 1922. Next week we will be continuing with our Art project on Queen Nefertiti, the wife of Pharaoh Akhenaten.

In Science next we will be looking into which materials reflect light and why. We know that at this time of year this is a very useful bit of knowledge for the children! They will have a chance to carry out another experiment investigating which materials reflect better than others. Their collaboration in groups last week was brilliant so this should be a fun experiment.

The children are really enjoying learning French. Next week we will continue to revise greeting each other and asking how they are. In RE next week we will be looking at the Lord's Prayer and discussing forgiveness.

Thank you for all the brilliant homework so far! We are very impressed with how much effort the children are putting into it. Please support your child with learning their weekly spellings and hear them read regularly – parental support makes a huge difference.

The Year three team

Year 4

The children have had a good week. They particularly enjoyed swimming and are making lots of progress!

Next week in Science, the children will learn how muscles operate in pairs and conduct an investigation into whether the people who do the most exercise have the strongest muscles. In Art, the children will start to recreate their own Seurat picture. In PSHE, they will continue to learn about growth mindset techniques. In History, the children will begin to look at Roman life in Britain and the development of their towns.

A reminder that the children should not bring in pencil cases and supplies. All they need to use is provided in school.

Have a good weekend

The Year 4 Teaching Team

Year 5

We are really impressed with the solar system models which have been completed from the Home Learning Menu and they are now proudly displayed in the corridor! Keep up the good work!

Next week, indoor PE will have 'The Greatest Showman' as a focus, as it was set in the Victorian period (1840). Class 11 will be creating mnemonics to help them learn the planets in the order of their distance from the sun. Class 12 parents; see if your children can remember theirs! Class 12 will be learning about working conditions for Victorian children in History next week.

Computing lessons will focus on cyber bullying and how to report it and PSHE will be a discussion about British values. The children will continue working on their perspective pictures in Art and will be playing netball and basketball for their outdoor PE lesson. In RE the children will learn about Hindu worship in a mandir.

Mathletics maths home learning tasks are now being set on a weekly basis. These will reinforce the learning that has been taking place in class that week.

Have a great weekend,

Year 5 team

*Finally, just a reminder for the half-term holiday, the last day for pupils is **Thursday 17th October** and we will return on **Monday 28th October**. **Friday 18th** is a staff PD day.*

FOOTBALL TRADING CARDS

At Sebert Wood we always like to encourage children to develop their hobbies and interests and we do not automatically ban crazes such as football card collections or the recent Heroes cards.

However, we do closely monitor their use in school at break times. Unfortunately we have had an increasing number of disputes between children about the cards, more incidents where children are getting upset over loss of their cards and children also trying to use them during class time.

Therefore, in the interests of everyone, from Monday these cards will no longer be permitted in school. Thank you for your support in this matter.

Mr Peter Dewhurst