



Italy Class – Autumn 1

Newsletter

English

Our key texts for this half term are 'Incredible You' and 'The Day the Crayons Quit' which link to our PSHE topic. Over the half term we are going to be focusing on correct sentence construction, oral composition, imaginative storytelling, and non-fiction writing such as; letters, diary entries and instructions.

We will be looking at a variety of punctuation and grammar such as expanded noun phrases, verbs and adjectives. We will also be learning how to check our own work and make corrections. We will continue to use Spelling Shed to support with spellings.

Maths

In maths we are going to begin by looking at place value where the children will learn to recognise the place value of numbers to 100 or 1000. We will then be learning about addition and subtraction, including practising our number bonds and mental arithmetic.

We will also be looking at deepening our understanding of times tables. We want to be able to recall times table facts with more speed and confidence!

Science

Our topic in science is 'Growth and Survival.'

Within our lessons we will be finding out about the offspring of a variety of different animals, how humans grow as they get older, finding out what animals, including humans, need to survive, find out how to eat a healthy diet, and finding out why exercise is important.

Dates for your diary:

- Tuesday 1st September – Back to school
- Tuesday 22nd September – Stay and Read
- Friday 23rd October – School closes
- Monday 2nd November – school opens

Topic

This half term we have a geography focus in topic and will be learning all about Italy Today! We will be identifying where Italy is and what continent it is part of, using a globe, world map and atlas. We will also be looking at the key features of Italy, volcanoes, famous landmarks and Italian culture.

Creative Arts and PSHE

In our Art lessons this half term, we will be looking at self-portraits. We will be looking at famous artists who have created their own self-portraits and comparing them. We will also be creating our own self-portraits using a variety of mediums such as; paint, sketch pencils, collage and clay.

In Music, we will be learning exploring keeping the pulse together through music and movement.

In PSHE, We will be looking at topics such as; how our behaviour can affect how others feel and behave, explain why it is important to have rules, and the importance of feeling valued.

We will also be taking part in Shabang, messy play, sensory play, movement, sign time and dough disco sessions every week.

Other information:

- On Friday's we will have a Forest School session in the morning. Please ensure your child comes to school in the appropriate clothing and footwear for the weather.
- Children are given spelling on a Monday and tested on their spellings every Friday. Please make sure your child is learning these throughout the week.
- Please try to read with your child as much as possible at home and ensure reading records and books are brought to school each day.
- If you need any support with your child's learning, please message me on seesaw.

Thank You for all your support

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