Class: Diamond



Our Learning Newsletter: Spring 2



English





Maths



In school we are learning:

Our focus is writing a story. Our lessons will consider how we structure a story and how stories can be presented in different ways. We will write our stories using symbols, comic strips and the written word. We will "publish" our stories and put the book in the school library.

Home learning opportunities:

Read lots of books together and look how the story is formed. We will be using the story mountain method to write our stories, this can be found at

https://awakenenglish.com/2018/02/09/storymountain/ In school we are learning:

We are exploring patterns, sequencing, counting in 2's, 5's, 10's and multiplication.

Home learning opportunities:

Whenever you come across a pattern look at it together. Notice the shapes or colours and how often it repeats. Look at Numbots online and work through some of the activities related to these areas together. Numbots https://play.numbots.com/

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PSHE





Computing



In school we are learning:

About the use of medication. We will be considering how to take medication safely and where we should obtain medication safely. We will touch lightly on misuse of medication and illegal drugs

Home learning opportunities:

When giving medication go through the information on the label, what it is used for and if it has to be on prescription or if can it be purchased at a pharmacy.

In school we are learning:

How sound and movement are used to create interest in multimedia. The children will have the opportunity to create their own animation using Scratch software

Home learning opportunities:

Support your child to access the Purple Mash website from home and look at the multimedia applications.



Life Skills





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In school we are learning:

We will be looking at clothing and how we wash these clothes.

We will look at clothing and washing tags. We will also learn how the washing machine works and we will be able to complete our own load of washing too.

In school we are learning:

Gymnastics. We will be learning the 5 key gymnastics shapes (tuck, pike, straight, straddle, star). We will also look at different types of rolls and balances. We will look to put these into a routine.

Home learning opportunities:

When you are doing the washing get your child to help with the washing. They can help sort the washing or put the washing into the washing machine. You could also get them to watch how this is done and talk to them about what you do and why you keep your clothes clean.

Home learning opportunities:
When at home you can practise the gymnastics shapes at home. You can also practise these whilst doing physio or stretches.

This video shows the shapes we have been working on with the correct technique along with an activity you can do you're your child if you want to –

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RDWICVb 7Aac



Discovery Days



In our discovery days we will be focussing on humanities, science, RE and creative subjects.

This term we are learning about:

We have a variety of Discovery days planned this term. We are having a story day on World Book Day, we will be exploring the Tudors in history (Elizabeth 1st), growth cycles in science and Shabbat (Sabbath) in RE.

Home learning opportunities

Watch Horrible Histories about the Tudors there are clips on You Tube and on BBC I-player. If you are able plant some seeds or bulbs, if you don't have outside space cress is always an option. As the plants grow do some online research about what is happening and what they need to grow. When out try using a plant identifying app – these are available on Apple Store and Google Play. Experience a Sabbath together, spend a day doing no work, prepare the food the night before, do something together that you enjoy and makes you feel rested.

Useful Websites/Apps

Some of these may require login information. Please speak to your class teacher or child's key worker for details.

- Think U Know https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/home-activity-worksheets/
- Be Internet Legends https://beinternetlegends.withgoogle.com/en-uk/parents/adventure
- Numbots https://play.numbots.com/ (also available as an app)
- The Human Body https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z7x78xs
- Teach Your Monster https://www.teachyourmonster.org/ (free apps for phonics, reading for pleasure, number skills etc.)
- PurpleMash https://www.purplemash.com/sch/thecedar-so16#/ (range of activities)
- Times Tables Rockstars https://play.ttrockstars.com/
- StoryLine Online https://storylineonline.net/

https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/shows/horrible-histories