ST JAMES' Church of England ACADEMY

AUTUMN TERM 2





CLASS 2JD

THE PURPOSE OF THIS NEWSLETTER IS TO INFORM YOU OF THE TOPICS THAT YOUR CHILDREN WILL BE STUDYING THIS HALF TERM...



Literacy

The children will be following the Read Write Inc programme to support their phonics and develop their fluency of reading. In Literacy, we will be focusing on the texts 'The Journey Home' by Frann Preston-Gannon and and 'Dear Earth' by Isabel Otter. The children will be developing their grammatical skills as well as creating a range of writing including character descriptions, information texts such as a non-chronological leaflet and narratives.

Numeracy

Our main areas of study include:
Addition and Subtraction:

- Number bonds to 10
- Adding three 1-digit numbers
- Subtracting two 2-digit numbers
- Mixed addition and subtraction
- Missing number problems

Shape:

- Recognise and understand 2-D and 3D shapes
- Draw 2-D shapes
- Lines of symmetry Patterns with 2-D and 3-D shapes.

We will be focusing on the 2, 5 and 10 times tables. Your support at home with helping your children to learn their times tables will be greatly appreciated.

Science

The children will be learning about 'Animals and Survival'. This topic teaches the children about what animals need in order to survive, how animals change as they grow up, why exercise is important, understand what a balanced diet is and what is hygiene and why hygiene is important.

History / Geography

As Historians the children will continue to learn about the English and British monarchy and answer the enquiry question 'What impact did our significant sovereigns have?' The children will learn about what a monarch is, about the reign of William the Conqueror as well as what Elizabeth II did during her time as Queen.
During Geography, the children will continue to learn about 'London - Our Capital City' and answer the enquiry question 'How does London compare to Hull?' The children will learn about Hull and the ways in which they recognise that it is a city. They will also learn about the significant landmarks of Hull. We will then learn about London and the ways in which they recognise it is a capital city. Hull and London will then be compared to one another.

Computing

In Computing, the children will continue focusing on computer systems and networks and looking at the IT around us. The children will learn about the importance of being safe online. The children will develop an understanding about how IT benefits society and how to be responsible when using technology.

R.E.

In R.E, the children will be focusing on 'What did Jesus teach us, what is the good news Jesus brings?' The children will develop an understanding of what Jesus' life was like, as well as what the parable of the lost son and the parable of the good Samaritan tell us about Jesus. They will find out about what Jesus taught at the sermon on the mount, and what we can learn from Jesus' actions.

DT / Art

In Art, the children will continue focusing on contrasting and complementing colours. The children will learn about and experiment with colour theory and mix different colours together.
In DT, the children will continue to learn how to cook and eat well. The children will focus on the importance of a healthy, balanced diet and using this knowledge to make a taco filling.

PE

PE lessons will usually be on a Friday. PE kits should be brought into school. Children will need plain red shorts and a plain white T-shirt, as well as their outdoor kit of plain black joggers and jumpers. Trainers are also required on this day.

Music

In Music, children will be exploring the pulse and rhythm of a piece of music by listening to different songs and playing instruments.

Home Reading

Home reading books will be sent home to support our Read, Write, Inc. Phonics and reading programmes, as well as books to encourage children to share stories with you and read for pleasure. Please discuss these with your child and sign their reading record daily and return them to school each day. Each child will be entered into a reading challenge where they must read at least 3 times each week.

If you have any concerns that you need to discuss, please speak to me at the end of the day or contact the school office at: hello@stj.hlt.academy or ring the school office if it is urgent.