



CLASS 5MC

Literacy

This half term, we will be focusing on a narrative text entitled '*Children of Benin Kingdom*' by Dinah Orji.

During literacy lessons, your child will also be focusing on developing their skills with sentence structure, grammar, spellings and handwriting.

Art/DT

This term we will be looking at Tints, Tones and Shades. This project teaches children about colour theory by studying the colour wheel and exploring mixing tints, shades and tones. They learn about significant landscape artworks and features of landscapes before using this knowledge to create landscape paintings. Also, in DT we will be looking at where our food comes from and researching benefits of seasonal eating.

Science

In Science our lessons we will be investigating our solar system, phases of the moon and what causes night and day.

Music

During music lessons the children will learn how to play the Glockenspiel and use their instrument to create accompaniments. We will use the music platform Charanga to enhance our performance skills.

PE

Our PE lessons will be on a **Thursday**. These will be outside wherever possible so your child will need their PE Kit of plain red shorts and plain white t-shirt, as well as their black outdoor kit with a pair of trainers.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me by emailing or calling the school office, or see me at the beginning or end of the school day.

Numeracy

Main areas of study:

- Place Value
- Addition and Subtraction
- Multiplication
- Problem solving

Also, we will continue to focus on the quick recall of all of the times tables. Please encourage your child to continue to practise these at home too.

Geography

In Geography we will be studying how climates affect physical environments. This project teaches children about climate zones and their interconnection with vegetation belts and biomes found around the world.

History

In History we are looking at the historic kingdom of Benin. We will compare the kingdom of Benin and that of Britain, looking for similarities and differences in the same era.

RE

During RE we will be looking at what it means to be holy and loving. We will use Bible references and Biblical texts to support our learning.

Homework

Home work will be set each Friday on spag.com and on TTrackstars. This needs to be completed by the following Thursday. (Login details in home reading record)

Reading / Home Reading

Our reading text is called '*The Good Thieves*' by Katherine Rundell. Each week we will read a new chapter and complete comprehension questions.

Children will be given their home reading books to take home daily. They should be encouraged to read a few pages every night. Please discuss with your child what they have read before signing their reading record. Reading records need to be brought into school each day, so your child can progress on the class challenge of reading **5 times each week**.