

Class 1 Curriculum Letter

Spring Term 2017

This half term our topic is 'Chinese New Year.' Our continuous provision will be topic based and linked to our interests. We will begin by learning about Chinese New Year and learning about how to use the topic-linked areas in the classroom. In English we will be reading fantasy stories such as 'This Book Just Ate my Dog.' We will be doing some of our own mark-making and writing based around these stories. We will be listening to and reading lots of stories linked to rhyme and alliteration, as well as continuing to learn our Phase 3 and Phase 5 sounds in Phonics.

In Maths we will be using numbers and place value in practical contexts as well as learning about shape, space and measures, which will also be linked to our topic. We will be looking at and using Pointillism in our art work whilst in science we will focus on the topic of materials and their properties. The children will be thinking of developing their own question linked with materials which they will then investigate! In geography we will be learning about maps, the continents and oceans and we will use the computers and I-pads to work across the curriculum.

During the second half of this term, our topic will be 'Looking at the History of Flight.' In Maths we will be using numbers, shape and time linked with our topic. In English we will be looking at imaginary stories, reports and poems. In Science and Geography we will be looking at the seasonal weather patterns and compass directions. We will be using our topic to support our play based learning in Reception. We will be using opportunities to develop our reading and writing skills in adult-led and child-initiated learning and be exploring seasonal changes over time in our investigation area.