



Ash Curriculum Letter *Summer Term 2017*

Welcome back! We hope everyone has had a relaxing Easter break. Below is an outline of the learning opportunities planned for your child this term.

General information: Children in Ash Class will have regular PE sessions – Tuesdays and Thursdays, however please can the children have their labelled PE kit in school every day. Children with long hair will need to have it tied back.

Homework: We would encourage you to read with your child as much as possible and encourage them to complete an activity in their Reading Activity book at least once a week. Children will continue to be issued with a reading book chosen for their stage of development, which we will change regularly. They will also be able to choose a library book once a week and as they are the children's own choice, they may be more suitable to read to them or shared in a more collaborative way. Please make a note of any reading that your child carries out at home so that they can move up our 'Reading Rocket'. This will provide them opportunities to share their reading achievements, as well as earning stickers and certificates. Spellings and Times Tables will be sent home on Thursday and then tested the following Thursday.

Thank you for your help at home, it really makes a difference. We are extremely grateful for all your continued support. If you have any questions, please ask Mrs Eade.



Maths

Children will take part in regular Maths lessons, which will provide them with opportunities to develop their skills in addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. They will also be learning about money, length and time through real life problems to develop their reasoning skills and apply what they have learnt. We will also be looking at data and drawing block graphs.



Literacy

In our Literacy lessons, we will be looking at letter writing. The children will be identifying features of formal and friendly letters. We then will move on to recounts. The children will learn how to write a recount and then will write their own recount of our trip to the Planetarium. We will end the term with looking at fantasy stories and the children will be writing some stories of their own.



Apple Phonics

We will continue to have regular phonics sessions in order to practice sounds and blending. The children will also practice reading real and pseudo-words. This will not only provide children with specific skills to develop their reading and writing, but also prepare them for the Phonics Screening that takes place in June.



RE

We will be learning about the Gospel and how Jesus teaches Christians to forgive sins and recognise justifications as good news. We will be exploring ways to show we forgive each other and how we can be a good friend to others.



Science

Ash Class will be learning about the everyday materials. We will be distinguishing between objects & materials and identifying and naming common materials. We will be exploring the properties of different materials and describing them. Children will investigate the best material that they think can be used for an umbrella.



PE

Cricket and athletics are the focus in PE this term. In cricket children will be developing their ball skills with increasing control and accuracy as well as playing as part of a team. In athletics we will be practicing a variety of skills, including, running, jumping, throwing, catching, balance, agility and co-ordination to prepare children for Sports Day later in the term.



Music

This term in music, the children will explore how to use their voices expressively and creatively when learning a range of songs, chants, rhymes. They will use percussion instruments to produce their own space music in groups to perform to their peers.



Computing

Children will continue to develop their computing skills, using Learn Pads and desktops. They will be learning about internet safety and the importance of being safe when using computers.



PSHE

We will be thinking about the values of Respect and Responsibility and how we should respect others and take responsibility for our actions. We will be talking about moving on to our next class and thinking about our goals and wishes for the future.



Geography

Ash Class will be identifying the world's continents and oceans, starting to locate them on the map. They will learn about the Olympics and world sports.



Art

We will be looking at pictures of space. Children will be printing to produce a picture of what they think space might look like. They will also be painting a chosen planet, which they will research and write about.



DT

In DT children will be designing and building their own small rocket from junk modelling. They will label their design and decide on the best materials to use for their rocket.



History

Ash Class will be looking at the history of space travel and the first landing on the moon. They will be researching astronauts Neil Armstrong and Tim Peake to find out about their journeys into space.

A Journey into Space

This experience takes place from Wednesday Monday 24th April until Friday 9th June 2017. Ash Class will be learning about the first man on the moon. They will be researching two great astronauts Neil Armstrong and Tim Peake. We will be visiting the South Downs Planetarium and Science Centre in Chichester to extend our learning further.

Possible homework activities, please select at least one to do during the learning experience.

- To research facts about space or rockets that have been in space.
- To create their own collage of outer space.

World Sports

This experience will take place from Monday 12th June 2017 until Friday 21st July 2017. The children will be researching a sports person of their choice. They will find out about their sport and the country the sports person comes from. They will take part in our Sports Day and work as part of a team.

Possible homework activities, please select at least one to do during the learning experience.

- Make your own ball game up to play with some friends.
- To design your own team shirt for you house team.