



P.P.S. Rowan Class

May 2019
Summer Term

Destination Out Of Space & Recycle, Reduce, Reuse

Dear Parents,

I hope you had a lovely Easter and are ready and raring for the summer term. The last term of Key Stage 1 before the children move on to Key Stage 2!

Our topics this term are Destination Out Of Space and Recycle, Reduce, Reuse. In the first half term the children will be learning about the chronological history of space travel, including animals in space. We will be visiting Chichester Planetarium to look at the night sky, locating constellations and recognising and naming stars in our galaxy.

In Recycle, Reduce, Reuse Miss Rawlings is going to recruit the class as a team of Eco Warriors! The children will be looking at how our environment is in need of changes regarding the waste we produce. They will find out how exciting it can be to recycle, bringing their old unwanted toys in to swap with their friends. This will help to learn about the benefits of reusing instead of sending old toys to landfill.

In design and technology the children will generate, develop, model and communicate their ideas to create a rocket. Later on in the term they will become fashion designers! They will be able to bring in old t-shirts, which they can tie dye to create funky and exciting new items!

In art lessons the children will be using observational drawing to create pictures of planets in our Solar System. They will add colour

and depth to their work as the lessons progress. In the second half of the term the children will be completing a 'through the porthole' image of our oceans and seas using collage and texture. Acting as chief Eco Warriors to first investigate the devastating impact of plastic pollution on our oceans, then using this research to recreate their portholes.

In P.E. this term the children will be taking part in multi-skills and athletics lessons learning how to follow rules and work as a team. In the second half of the term the children will be preparing for sports day taking part in athletics activities in addition to gymnastics. Please ensure that the children have their P.E. kits in school everyday. This should consist of a t-shirt, a pair of shorts and plimsolls. Earrings cannot be worn during P.E. lessons and must be removed. If they cannot be removed we must be provided with a named roll of tape.

This is just an outline of what the children will be exploring during this topic. We are using these newsletters to give you information about your child's education as this will replace the foundation subjects comments on the annual report.



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In R.E. the children will learn about how being Jewish can make a difference to family life and celebrations compared to being Christian. They will look at the Jewish festival of Sukkot and how a Sukkah brings families together to be thankful to God.

In science the children will be learning about enquiry and how to ask questions about different aspects of science. This will include researching how science helps doctors, inventors and farmers. After half-term children will be looking at how we can help the environment around us and why this is important.

In computing the children will be learning about search engines and carrying out their own research online. They will also look at e-safety and how to stay safe online when researching and emailing.

In music the children will be listening to and appraising songs, moving on to creating music to suit a trip to space. We have been invited to take part in a Big Sing morning with other schools in our locality in June. This will be an opportunity to learn new songs with a specialist music teacher and performing as part of a large choir. After half term the children will be learning a friendship song. This will include learning to play instruments to the beat and performing the song to Ash Class.

Homework: please read with your child as much as possible. The children are issued with a reading book chosen for their stage of development.

Please make a note of any reading that your child carries out at home so that they can receive a certificate for their reading

achievements. Spellings will be set weekly and Prodigy Maths is available online to encourage your child to complete maths activities at home.

Thank you for your help at home as it really makes a difference.

Miss Rawlings.