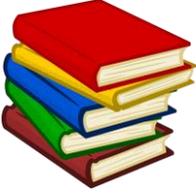




Castle View Primary School

Year 1 and 2 Newsletter

Autumn Term 2 2021

<p>English</p>  	<p>The children will continue to work in their small Read Write phonics groups for an hour every morning and again in the afternoon. They will learn and practise different phonic sounds every day before reading and writing words containing these sounds. The faster the children pick up the phonic sounds, the quicker they will be able to read and write, so your support at home is extremely valuable and important. A teacher/TA will hear your child read in these sessions. Books will only be sent home three times a week as the children benefit from practise, practise, practise and only then will they become 'speedy' readers. The children will be learning basic punctuation such as capital letters, full stops, commas and question marks. They will be encouraged to use descriptive words to make their writing more exciting.</p>
<p>Maths</p> 	<p>This term the children will be looking at money. They will add different amounts of coins, choose which coins are needed to buy items from the class shop and even work out the change needed. Please encourage your child at home to count the coins and notes in your purse or count out coins when shopping. They will be also start to multiply and divide using practical equipment. The children will continue to count in 2s, 3s, 5s and 10s.</p>
<p>Science</p> 	<p>In science we will be using the local environment to explore animals in their natural habitats. The children will sort animals into categories - fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals. They will be encouraged to use vocabulary such as carnivore, herbivore and omnivore to describe these animals. We will continue to talk about seasonal changes.</p>
<p>Topic</p> 	<p>In Geography the children will become geographers as they use fieldwork skills to discover the differences between rural and urban areas. They will be able to identify some symbols on an Ordnance survey map and understand why we use them. The children will make simple maps of the local area.</p>
<p>Home School Partnership</p> 	<p>Please help your child at home with the following activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• listen to your child read at least 3 times every week and then discuss what has been read to develop their understanding• practise letter formation, making sure some letters are tall/short• practise counting forwards and backwards in 1s, and 10s• practise reading Alien words (Year 2 only)
<p>Reminders</p> 	<p>Reading books and reading record books should be in school every day. This half term PE is on a Tuesday and Friday morning so please could you send your child to school dressed ready for their PE session in trainers/pumps, jogging bottoms/leggings, PE tee-shirt and school jumper. Children need to bring a coat and water bottle to school every day. If you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to speak to me. Mrs Walker</p>

