



Term: Summer II

Class/Dosbarth: Excellent Eagles

Teacher/Athrawes: Mrs L Wangiel

Dear/Annwyl Parents,

Well here we are - the last half term of the year! I just can't believe how quickly it's gone! This is a busy half term with lots going on but we'll be working hard right up until the end so it as important as ever to ensure your child is in school every day. This half term will also see your children spend a week with their new teacher. I'd also like to take this opportunity to remind you about school uniform; many of the children are coming to school in their trainers. This is not school uniform. The children should be wearing black shoes at all times. If they have a PE lesson that day, they should either have a pair of trainers left in school or bring their trainers in a bag with the rest of their kit to change into.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs. Wangiel

The information below outlines the activities planned for the Excellent Eagles this half term:

Literacy

This half term our Literacy lessons will focus on persuasive texts, specifically persuasive letters. We will be exploring the features of persuasive letters and finding out about the persuasive techniques companies and advertisers use to persuade us. We will then be using the skills we have developed to write our own persuasive letters to local companies asking for donations to support us in developing our outdoor areas.



We will also be exploring the graphic novel, the Arrival. A graphic novel is a text without words! The Arrival is a challenging text and I am looking forward to working on it with the children.

The children will be continuing with their Read Write Inc spelling groups. Please continue to support your child with any spellings they bring home.

Your child will also take part in a guided reading session on a daily basis. They will be read with at least once a week and will be set tasks related to their reading book. A book will also be sent home. It is vital that the children read at home as well as in school and that they are supported with this. As well as listening to your child read, it is important that you ask them questions about the book to ensure they have understood what they're reading.

Maths

This half term in Maths we will be covering the following topics:

Time, rounding, negative numbers, co-ordinates, investigating general statements and fractions, decimals & percentages. We will also spend time revising various methods of calculation.

Maths homework will be sent home each week to reinforce topics covered that week.

I would also like to stress the importance of constantly revising times tables and multiples with your child at home. They need to be very familiar with all of their times tables up to their 10x table. Children are tested on their times tables on a weekly basis. We use them in many areas of maths and the children need to be confident and competent in their recall. Their practice should be undertaken frequently at home.



Science

This half term our science topic will continue to be Healthy Living. Last half term we spent a lot of time finding out about how the human body works focussing on the organs of the body and the circulatory system. This half term the children are going to be focussing on how we can keep our bodies healthy. We will be exploring the effects of alcohol and smoking on the body. We will also be investigating if taller people can jump further.



Foundation Subjects

Welsh



Our Welsh lessons this half term will focus on using our Welsh language skills for persuasion. We will be working on replying to an email persuading a child to visit our school.

Topic Work

This half term our topic continues to be the Olympics. We will be holding a mini Olympics in our class where the children design their own game or sport to teach the others. We will also be exploring the pros and cons of the Olympics and completing map and atlas work finding out about the different countries that take part.



ICT (Information Communication Technology)

Our ICT this half term will focus on email. Using Purple Mash the children will be learning how to send an email, how to include a CC recipient and how to attach files and images to their emails.

Music

Our music lessons this half term will be linked to our Olympics topic. We will be exploring the effect of Music at the Olympics and using the app Garage Band to create our own Olympics inspired music.

Design and Technology

In our D and T lessons this half term, the children will be designing and creating their own sportswear kit.

P.E. (Physical Education)

This half term in PE the children will be focussing on Olympics games. They will be designing their own Olympic games and sports to teach others.



Our PE day is Friday. Please ensure the children have their indoor PE kit in school every Friday. I will try to advise you through Classroom Dojo if this PE day changes.

RE

This half term, our RE lessons will focus on Buddhism. The topic is entitled 'Whose World?' and will explore issues such as caring for the environment and whose responsibility it is.

PSE (Personal, Social and Emotional Education)

Our SEAL (Social and Emotional Aspects of learning) topic this half term is "Changes". We will be exploring feelings associated with changes, discussing strategies to overcome the more worrying aspects of change and understanding that there are many positive aspects to changes in our lives. We will also look at how a child's behaviour can sometimes be affected by changes in their lives.

Home Learning

Home learning is sent out on a **FRIDAY** and should be returned by the following **FRIDAY**.

Spellings are also sent out on a Friday and will be tested the following Friday. Children are also tested in their times tables weekly and should practise these on a regular basis at home.

Please support your child with both their homework and in learning their spellings and times tables.

Home learning is an integral part of your child's education as the activities are set to build on previously learned concepts or to introduce new ideas. It also allows you to have a greater insight into what your child is studying.

Rewards will be given for homework returned on time.

I hope you will find this information useful. **May I extend a warm invitation to anyone who is willing to help and support us in the classroom in any way.**

Thank you in anticipation of your continued co-operation and support. If you have any queries/questions please do not hesitate to contact me at the school.

Mrs. L Wangiel

Mr. M Gough

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "M Gough".

Class Teacher

Headteacher