

Possible ways of helping your child with their work this half term:

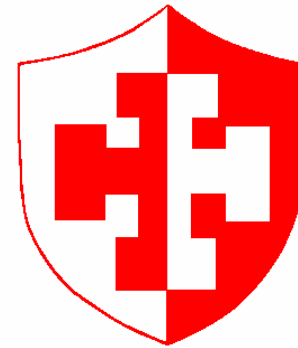
- Ensure that they complete any homework given.
- Visit the library to look at or borrow books connected with the work that your child is doing.
- Use the internet and visit some of the websites listed below to research information.
- Visit places of interest connected with the work that your child is doing.
- Allow your child to bring information into school to share with the rest of the class.

Useful Websites:

- <http://www.kidrex.org/>
a brilliant child friendly search engine.
- <https://trockstars.com/>

for continuing practise of times tables facts

Prees Church of England Primary School



Curriculum Information for Parents Maple Class

Autumn Term 2023

English

The focus this term will be around Stone Age Boy by Satoshi Kitamura and non-fiction texts to support the children's writing. The children will learn how to write more complex sentences, use a wider range of conjunctions, add detail to their work, begin to use speech and paragraphs in their writing. They will also begin to use persuasion to write a Stone Age holiday brochure. They will read a range of texts to help develop their reading skills and research ideas for their writing. They will be learning spellings and aspects of grammar linked to the topics and the year four curriculum and will continue to develop joined handwriting.

Mathematics

The children will begin the term by developing their understanding of place value of 4-digit numbers beyond one thousand, identifying, ordering, rounding and comparing these numbers. They will become increasingly fluent using the four operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division) building on their written and mental calculation strategies. The children will develop their knowledge of fractions comparing equivalent fractions, adding and subtracting them. They will also compare polygons and identify acute and obtuse angles in shapes. The children will have a daily fluency session in which essential facts will be revised, such as number facts and all the times tables up to and including 12.

Science

During the first half term, the children will be learning about rocks and soils. They will start by learning about different types of rocks, their properties, consider their uses and how they are formed. They will also learn about how fossils are formed and then move on to focusing on different types of soils. After half term we will be focusing on states of matter; the children will learn about solids, liquids and gases and discover how matter changes between these states.

Humanities

Through our topic the children will be learning about the era from the Stone Age up to the Iron Age. The children will be learning about chronology and when the period was in relation to other events on a historical timeline. Through a range of sources, the children will find out what life was like during the period, including looking at food, clothes, shelters, animals and art and how it compares to life today. The children will begin to recognise the part that archaeologists have had in helping us understand more about what happened in the past.

P.S.H.E. (Personal, Social and Health Education)

This half term our focus is 'being in my world,' the children will be learning about their roles and responsibilities in our school community. Next half term they will be focusing on celebrating their differences.

Music

During this term the children will be learning to develop their skills of listening, appraisal, pulse, rhythm and notation.

Art and Design

The children will be learning about the very first pieces of artwork and understand how they were created. Using primitive tools, they will produce their own piece of cave art. Following this, they will move onto using 3D media to create pottery.

Design Technology

The children will learn about levers and mechanisms, evaluating existing products and exploring different types of mechanical systems before using the skills to create a moving Christmas card.

R.E.

This term the children will be comparing ways in which Christians, Jews, Muslims and non-religious people make a difference, and also makes connections with their own experiences.

Computing

The computing focus this term is collaborative learning. The children will learn how to work collaboratively and explore a range of collaborative tools. They will also discuss the potential risks when online and develop their understanding of how to remain safe.

P.E

The children will be focusing on football, tag rugby and gymnastics. They will be taught balls skills and rules along with sportsmanship and the importance of playing in a team.

Spanish

This term the children will be learning to articulate numbers beyond ten, discuss their likes and dislikes and have short conversations with each other.