



Start with Art!

Welcome to Term Two!

As if Pointillism, impressionism, William Morris, Georgia O'Keefe, Deborah Shapiro, colour washes and the colour wheel weren't enough, we are continuing this term with our fantastic Start with Art project. The children will be exploring the art of Charles McGee, a famous painter and sculptor. During term one for RE the children started to explore Islam and this term we are focussing on 'Why Christmas is important to Christians'. The children will be listening to Christmas bible stories about Jesus and what an important figure he is to Christians.

This term there is also a big focus on music. We will be learning some new songs for the Christmas concert and we can't wait to share with you what the children have been rehearsing. Linked to our work on Frida Kahlo we are going to explore Mexico and contrasting it to Eastbourne. A busy but fun filled term!

The children are still so keen to explore everything - thank you for creating such inquisitive and curious learners! If you need to contact us - please message us on Class Dojo.



Reading!

Children who read 3 times a week or more at home make the most progress in reading. This increases their confidence and we also see great progress in writing and maths. Children can make huge progress in reading as their phonic knowledge is consolidated and confidence rises.



Please read at least 4 times a week and record in reading diaries for 5 dojos.

Spellings

Week 1: half, path, bath

Week 2: find, mind, kind, behind

Week 3: child, children

Week 4: every

Week 5 & 6: Father Christmas

Tissues

It's that time of year where every child seems to get a cold and we go through so many boxes of tissues! Please could you send your child in a box of tissues.

Thank you



English

The children will be learning about the features of fact files. They are going to write a fact file about themselves, with a section about them as artists! After that we are going to learn to write instructions. The children will be given the opportunity to make salsa, a favourite Mexican food. (Yes, we will be asking parents to volunteer on that day!!!).



This will then inform their instruction writing.

Maths

After a fantastic term setting the children up for the year with place value and 2D shape, we are now moving onto money, multiplication and division this term. We will start the term with a recap on money and look at different coins and really focussing in on the 2p, 5p and 10p which will feed into our next concept. If you have an opportunity to set up a pretend shop at home or visit a real one, then children would really enjoy this fantastic opportunity. Teachers would love to see photographs of this via dojo.

Project homework

To help your child write their own fact file in English we would like them to design an all about me poster. This would be a real help for those who struggle to come up with information on the spot when writing. We will post more information on Dojo.

Art exhibition

With great excitement we can now announce that the famous Year 2 Art Exhibition will go ahead this year!!!! You will be amazed by the wonderful art work the children have achieved. We have some budding artists at Pashley so we hope you can join your child on the date below to celebrate their work with them.

Robins - Monday 24th November at 2.15pm

Woodpeckers - Tuesday 25th November at 2.15pm

Owls - Thursday 27th November at 2.15pm.

As you know, we are raising funds to help towards our Knockhatch trip. There will be a table 'selling' biscuits and squash. A small donation for these would be fantastic. As always, this is totally voluntary and no child will be denied a drink or biscuit!

Please don't feel pressurised to giving more than you can afford.

Christmas

We love Christmas at Pashley and always encourage our children and families to get into the festive spirit! To get you in the mood for Xmas the school will be holding it's Christmas Fair on Saturday 6th December 11am-2pm This is such a special event and your child will be talking about it for many years, so come along and support the school at the same time!!! More information will follow about this.



The children will be very busy this term learning some new Christmas songs to sing to you at our Christmas concert. We will be performing this in the school hall.

There will be two performances. You will receive 2 tickets and you can use them as you wish at either performance.

Come along to the concert on **Tuesday 16th December 9.00 am and 2.15 pm**

Dates for your diary:

Tuesday 11th November Twilight training (NO LADYBIRDS)

Monday 24th November Robins art exhibition from 2.15pm

Tuesday 25th November Woodpeckers art exhibition from 2.15pm

Thursday 27th November Owls art exhibition from 2.15pm

Thursday 4th December Christingle making (details to follow)

Saturday 6th December Christmas Fair 11am-2pm

Friday 12th December Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner

Tuesday 16th December Year 2 Christmas Concert 9.00am and 2.15pm

Thursday 18th December Pantomime Trip to Devonshire Theatre

Friday 19th December End of Term 2

Tuesday 6th January Start of Term 3

