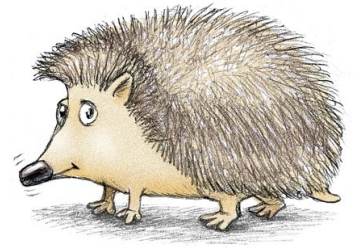


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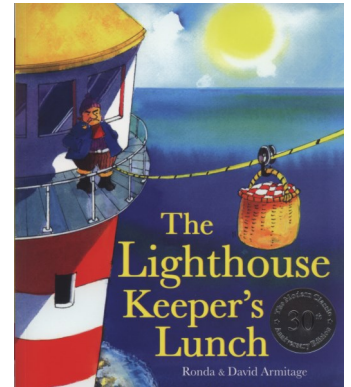
Welcome back after the holidays and welcome to the Hedgehogs' class. I hope you all had an enjoyable summer and enjoyed spending time with your families!
Our focus for this half term is 'The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch', we look forward to an exciting year ahead with lots of fun things planned!

English

As Writers we will be . . . exploring a range of stories about 'The Lighthouse Keeper', particularly looking at 'The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch'. Children will aim to plan and write their own complete story based on this fiction text.

We will also look at the key features of written instructions, correctly follow simple instructions and effectively give oral instructions in the correct sequence. Children will aim to write their own series of instructions for how to make a sandwich.

Over the year children will continually develop their knowledge of spellings, grammar and punctuation, particularly focusing on punctuation and conjunctions this half term.



Maths

As Mathematicians we will be . . .

- Reading the time and problem solving.
- Sorting and counting objects.
- Representing objects and numbers in different ways.
- Counting forwards and backwards.
- Identifying one more and one less than a number.
- Using the terminology, greater than, less than and equal to.
- Partitioning numbers.
- Exploring the place value of numbers.
- Comparing and ordering objects and numbers.
- Counting in 2s, 3s, 5s and 10s.

We will continue to apply our learnt skills to problem solving and reasoning activities on a weekly basis.

Over the next few weeks children will start to take home their Maths target boxes and Maths record book - your support with these is very much appreciated (details to follow).

Science

As Scientists we will be . . . exploring light. We will explore light sources and reflectors and use this knowledge to carry out an investigation linked to our topic.

ICT

As computer scientists we will be . . . carrying out various research using the iPads and laptops. We will also explore the importance of e-safety and how to stay safe on the iPads and laptops. Throughout this half term children will learn how to save a file in a specific place.

Topic

The children will learn basic food hygiene as well as exploring a healthy diet, they will aim to make a sandwich for the lighthouse keeper.

As geographers we will be . . . exploring lighthouses, looking at what they do and where they are found.

As artists we will be . . . completing art and craft activities, for example making a lighthouse.

PE

As sportsmen and sportswomen we will be . . . developing our fitness and gymnastics. Children will need their usual PE kit in school every day and could you please ensure it is clearly labelled. Earrings need to be removed on Tuesdays and Thursdays please.

Music

As musicians we will be . . . discovering ways to use our voices to describe feelings and moods. We will create and notate vocal sounds, building to a performance.

PSHE

This half term we will be exploring the values of Determination and Courage.

MFL

We will introduce simple French phrases and greetings, raise awareness of where French is spoken and learn about some cultural differences. Our learning will help develop children's understanding, respect and appreciation of other cultures.

Homework

The children will take home their reading books, Maths target boxes and records every day and are encouraged to read and practise their Maths targets regularly at home. We would ask you to comment in their reading and Maths records when they have read to you or practised their Maths target. They will have weekly spellings to learn which will be checked on Fridays. Homework will be given out every Thursday and handed in the following Monday. It is the children's responsibility to take their homework and spellings out of their folder and to put them into the appropriate tray in the classroom each week to be marked. The children are able to change their individual reading book every morning as they come into school and Maths targets will be checked on a regular basis. Children will earn dojo points for reading at home, completing homework and practising their spellings and maths targets.

RE

In RE lessons this half term children will be exploring the question, what do Christians believe God is like? We will explore Christian beliefs and stories that demonstrate these.

If you have any queries please feel free to discuss them with me after school.

Thank you for your support,

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. A Manlove

