Soar on wings

Class Newsletter



September 2021

Welcome back!

With WOW starters planned for the new term, exciting times lie ahead for Peacock Class. Scientific enquiries will be at the forefront of activities as we explore sources of light and permeable materials. We will explore how many professions control light, including reflections, to operate equipment safely. A school visit to an outdoor activity centre is being assessed, with new Covid19 guidance. We will learn to use carefully selected vocabulary to learn about the body, feelings and beliefs (RSHE).

Our school topic for this term is: My reflection! Our inquiry question is: How does light travel?

Respect Responsibility Compassion Trust Courage Perseverance

English

Story writing topics this year shall be inspired by true life stories 'Disaster!' and Anne of Green Gables. As always, art is used to motivate pupils. We shall use a series of drawings created by the children themselves. After developing a reading path, children will create their own story.

Maths

When pupils enter Peacock Class each morning a maths song is playing to encourage understanding of x and ÷ facts to find a product. Our friends (below) *The Number Crunchers* are available to help children understand concepts. Mr Rumsey is expected to return to assist intervention groups in October.



Topic

At Neatishead Primary School we enjoy interaction. Visiting a collaborative show, we hope to investigate our inquiry question. We look forward to making a periscope and study the size and cause of shadows. We will revise our understanding of the Roman Invasion and consider the scientific advances made in AD 200 alongside the history of The Norfolk Broads.

PE

PE continues on a Tuesday afternoon – encouraging the class to become physically active for a sustained period of time. Please encourage your child to bring their PE kit to school at all times including football boots and shin-pads for those playing football – thank you for labelling your PE kits.



SMSC and RE

What does it mean to belong to a worldwide Christian family? Why are there many different types of Christian church? We'll discuss food poverty as we consider *Christian Communities*. Enquiry question: How do Christians celebrate Christmas? Pupils in Years 5 & 6 will be pleased to learn Paddy, an inspirational speaker and story teller, returns once more. ©

How to support at home

Please see the attached timetable for details of weekly home learning. Questions are explained and examples of written methods are demonstrated before setting questions. All pupils have been given a new copy of written methods for Big Maths! Pupils begin to use new times tables sheets this term. Sheets are marked with a 1 – 4 stars; setting difficulty levels. Children have enjoyed weighing these, which will continue. Drawing, inspired by spelling words, will be set on alternate weeks.

School Partnerships

We will continue to develop our partnership with the following schools:
Goolwa Primary School, South Australia and

Madya Primary School, Zimbabwe We look forward to writing to our friends overseas later in the academic year.