



Cumberworth CE First School

ENJOY, ENRICH, EXCEL

Machu Picchu – Class Newsletter

School improvement focus

Our focus this half term is

- Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools

English

We will be exploring a wider range of punctuation marks which can be used in our writing starting with semicolons and colons and ensuring that we use all punctuation correctly when using inverted commas for speech. The focus in writing will be on reporting (newspaper style) alternating between formal and informal (chatty) language. Team Machu Picchu have an online author event with Alexander Armstrong through the 'Read' bookshop in Holmfirth and will be reading his new novel 'Evenfall, The Golden Linnet' this half term.

Maths

This half term we will be covering:

- Multiplication & Division
- Fractions
- Area (length & perimeter)

Diary Dates

November

10th – 11am All Y4/5 to Odeon Cinema – David Attenborough film

13th – Michael Rosen Day

27th – 1pm X country finals – Leeds Road playing fields

28th – non uniform day in exchange for a piece of Christmas chocolate for the Christmas Fair tombola
Flu immunisations

Attendance

Our class attendance this year to date is 97.35%.

General Class Information

Our **P.E** days are **Monday** and **Friday**

Children will bring **homework** home on a Friday and should return it the following Wednesday.

Please make sure your child has a **water bottle** in school each day.

Library will be every **Monday** afternoon.

Learn to Read books and **Love to Read** books will be sent home on a **Wednesday** or **Friday**.

Please make sure that your child brings their reading book and reading record book in to school every day.

Topic this term.... Forces and Motion!

Pneumatics – moving monsters!

- In **Science**, the children will be investigating forces and motion. They will find out about the different types of forces and how some work as opposing forces. There will also be some practical experiments where the children will develop their skills of reporting scientifically.
- In **History**, the children will continue to find out about the ancient civilisation of Maya (who, what, where and when) and be comparing their findings to the ancient civilisations of Egypt and Sumer researched last year (what is different or similar about the civilisations).
- In **Design & Technology**, we will be investigating the force of pneumatics to move our very own creations.
- In **Computing**, the children are looking at websites, creating media, video production.
- In **RE**, The children will be exploring the question 'what does it mean to be a Muslim in Britain today?'
- In **Music**, the children will start to learn how to play xylophones and glockenspiels and exploring the instruments of percussion.
- In **PE**, the children will be focussing on gymnastics and dance.
- In **PSHE**, The Jigsaw unit is 'Celebrating Difference' the children will discuss and explore the themes of racism, different cultures, rumours and name calling and celebrating everyone's uniqueness.
- In **French**, the children will be focusing on the vocabulary of greetings, I would like, please and thank you as well as colours, numbers and classroom objects.

KEEPING IN TOUCH

If you wish to contact the school office, please ring 01484 609818 or email office@cumberworthfirstschool.co.uk.

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