



Cumberworth CE First School

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Team Taj Mahal – Class Newsletter Spring 2

School improvement focus

Our focus this half term is:
Art & DT

English

And Tango Makes Three

Reception Children are exploring themes of family and love by writing zoo signs and "new baby" cards to celebrate Tango's arrival. They are building early writing skills and learning to sequence simple story events. Year 1 children are diving deeper into grammar by using the word 'because'. They will also practice writing diary entries and using exclamation marks to express excitement.

Maths

This half term we will be covering:

Year 1 - Place value within 50. Length and height and mass and volume

Reception – Length and Height and 3D shapes.
Number work will include counting, ordinality and cardinality comparison.

Diary Dates

Tuesday 3rd March – Trip to the Yorkshire History Museum. Coach will be departing at 09.00.

Thursday 5th March – World Book Day. Celebrating 100 Years of Winnie the Pooh.

Children will be taking a trip to '100 Acre Wood'
Friday 6th March – Wear it Blue & White day for Huddersfield Town foundation.

– Road Safety workshop for EYFS and KS1 children

Friday 13th March – Mother's day afternoon tea.

Friday 20th March – Science Day

Monday 23rd March - Hand to Mouth RE Day

Wednesday 25th March – Easter worship for parents. 09.30.

Friday 27th March – Kirkwood hospice Bunny run fundraiser.

Attendance

Our class attendance this year to date is 97.57%

General Class Information

P.E. lessons will continue to be on **Wednesdays and Thursdays**, so please send your child to school dressed in their P.E kit on these days.

For **homework**, please continue to develop your child's love of reading through enjoying books together regularly and supporting them with their reader. Please fill in a comment in their reading record book so that we know that your child is coping well with the books sent home. There is also a **homework menu** that your child may wish to dip into over the course of the half term. Y1s will continue to receive a weekly spelling and maths activity to complete.

Please can you continue to ensure that your child brings a **coat suitable for our changeable weather and a water bottle to school each day** (as well as their reader and reading record). **Library books** need to be returned **every Thursday**.

Mrs Claxton, Ms Robinson and Mrs Seage can be contacted via Class Dojo if you have any questions and we look forward to another fabulous half term with Team Taj Mahal!

Topics this term:

Science will focus on children will learn to identify common plants and describe how they grow from seeds and bulbs into flowering plants. They will also investigate how light, water, and temperature are essential for survival while observing changes in their plants over time.

Music, Unit name: Up and Down.

In this unit, children explore high and low sounds through a gentle action song. They will practice singing in steps, compose their own lyrics, and learn to play simple melodies on pitched instruments.

In **RE**, Children will learn about parables and how stories like the Lost Son and Jonah teach Christians about God's love and forgiveness. They will also explore what it means to ask for forgiveness and how believers put their faith into practice through worship.

In **PSHE**, through our Health Me unit children will learn about the importance of exercise, sleep, and hygiene to keep their bodies healthy and strong. They will also explore healthy food choices, how to stay safe around adults, and the benefits of physical activity and rest.

In **Computing**, through our unit on Data Handling, children will learn how to describe and group objects by properties like colour, size, and shape. They will practice labelling, counting, and comparing these groups to answer questions and share what they have discovered.

In **PE**, we will be starting a unit on ball skills. We will also be having a tennis session with Thongsbridge Tennis Club

Our Projects for this Half term:

Dangerous Dinosaurs

This exciting project teaches children about the different animals that roamed Earth millions of years ago and how they are related to animals that live on Earth today.

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