



Cumberworth CE First School

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Team Taj Mahal – Class Newsletter Summer 1

School improvement focus

Our focus this half term is:
Handwriting

English

In reception we will be learning to write short sentences that can be read by others.

In Year 1 we will be writing instructions and own version narratives, including our Year 1 grammar expectations.

The books we will be looking at are The Tiny Seed by Eric Carle, The Very Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle and The Extraordinary Gardener by Sam Boughton

Maths

This half term we will be covering:

Year 1 – multiplication and division, fractions and position and direction.

Reception – cardinality, ordinality and counting numbers beyond 20. Composition and comparison of numbers within 10 and number bonds to 10.

Diary Dates

April:

Mon 13th - 3:30pm – School Parliament and possible big school clear up.

Tues 14th – Class photos with Purple Cow. Parents evening

Wed 15th – Parents evening.

Thurs 28th – **Year 1** Parents to be invited into a writing session.

Fri 1st May – Whole school cricket engagement – Please come in PE kits.

Monday 4th – Bank Holiday

Fri 8th Sir David Attenborough's 100th Birthday celebration.

Wed 20th 09:00 – SEMH Drop in Session.

Thurs 21st – Star in the jar winner treat.

Friday 22nd – Break up.

Attendance

Our class attendance this year to date is 97.87%

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**.

Reading books will be changed on a **Wednesday**.

Miss Houghland, 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!

Topic this term.... Sunshine and Flowers

In **Science** we will begin to learn about animal survival, lifecycles and identifying the basic needs of animals for survival including food, water, air and shelter.

In **Music**, through a module entitled: "Down there under the sea" we will exploring sea-themed soundscapes, composing new lyrics, creating instrumental sea accompaniments, and responding to music with movement.

In **RE**, we are exploring a thematic unit, looking at which places are special and why. We are planning a visit to our local church and will learn about places that are special to Christian and Muslims.

In **PSHE**, We are moving onto the Relationship unit of our PSHE and we will begin to learn about families, friends, conflict and being your own best friend.

In **Computing**, we will begin to look at programming and coding, the module is called "moving a robot." In this unit we begin to think like computer coders and start to use floor robots called Bee-Bots.

In **PE** we will be taking part in striking and fielding games as well as developing working as a team and fundamental movement skills through a variety of games.

In **Geography** we will be learning about the physical and human features of coastal regions across the United Kingdom.

In **Art** we will be looking at the visual elements of flowers, including the shape, texture and colour.

Our Projects for this Half term.... In the Sunshine and Sunflowers project we will explore our local environment and see how it has changed throughout the year. We will grow flowers, fruit and vegetables in the garden area and learn how to care for plants and animals, identifying some different types.

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