



Dragonfly Class Bulletin



Dear Parents,

Welcome back! We can hardly believe it's November already. We hope you all had a wonderful break and that the children are feeling refreshed and ready for another exciting, action-packed half term.

This week, Mrs Wahid will be off-site but staffing has been carefully arranged to ensure that the children can continue their learning as usual, with all planning and provision overseen in advance.

Over the holidays, we have both been busy reorganising the classroom to better support the children's learning and independence. This half term, the children will enjoy a balance of teacher-led learning and child-led provision. They will learn through exploration, choice and meaningful experiences across a range of activities. We'll keep you updated on this exciting development and hope your children come home eager to share what they have been doing.



This Week's Learning

English & History - Toys from the Past

Our new topic explores how toys have changed over time. The children will compare old and new toys and use their speaking and listening skills to build well-structured sentences.

Maths

- Year 1: Addition fact families
- Year 2: Ordering objects and numbers

Geography

The children will explore the classroom, locating key resources and learning areas as part of developing their understanding of our school and local environment.

Music

We'll be focusing on pulse through listening and performing activities.

Cultural Capital

The children will learn about the Maasai Mara National Park in Kenya, broadening their understanding of the wider world.





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PE

Our new PE topic, invasion games, begins with understanding the roles of attackers and defenders.

Going forward, we would like children to come to school in their PE kits on Tuesdays and Fridays. This will help us make the most of our sessions and (hopefully!) reduce the number of misplaced clothing items. For health and safety reasons, long hair must be tied up and only small stud earrings are permitted. If earrings are worn on PE days, they will need to be removed by the wearer or covered with tape, which we can provide.

Growth Mindset

Parent consultations gave us a valuable opportunity to gain a deeper understanding of the children and their individual needs. A common theme that emerged in many discussions was the importance of resilience and developing a growth mindset. To support conversations at home, we have added a helpful link to the school website. Please visit the Dragonfly Class page and look under 'Useful Websites' to find this resource.



Nativity

Once the children have settled into the new term, we will begin preparations for our Nativity performance which is on Tuesday 9th December. We are very excited to learn the songs together and get into the festive spirit. Information about costumes will be sent out soon so you'll have plenty of time to prepare.

Thank you for your continued support. We're both looking forward to another wonderful half term full of curiosity, creativity and growing confidence.

Warm regards,

Mrs Wahid and Mrs Mason-Cook

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