



Gayhurst Community School

Class Information for Parents / Carers

Date : January 2020 Teacher : Lorraine Class : 4L

English

In English our new book is Krindlekrax. We will be using role play and drama to explore the characters and their motivations in this book, helping us to write emotive diary entries. We will also use the fantastic description in the book to help us with our own descriptive writing as we practise using descriptive language to write character descriptions.

We will also be practising drafting, writing and editing our long pieces of writing during weekly extended writing sessions.

You can help your child at home by reading together and encouraging your child to practise their spellings.

Maths

In Maths we will be consolidating our understanding of number and place value. We will be comparing and ordering numbers, including Roman numerals. We will also be practicing finding decimals, percentages and fractions of amounts. We will also practise using written methods to perform calculations using the four operations. In our shape work we will be learning to classify triangles and quadrilaterals by looking at their properties.

We will also be practising telling the time using analogue and digital clocks. This will help us when solving problems involving time.

You can help your child at home by:

practising telling the time together. You can also focus on practising multiplication facts with them.

Science

In Science we will be learning about electricity. We will be using equipment to design and make our own simple circuits and devices. We will learn to draw diagrams of circuits and we will also learn about conductors and insulators.

You can help your child at home by discussing electricity and the safe use of electrical items at home.

PE

We will be having PE lessons twice each week. On Tuesdays we will have gymnastics with our specialist gymnastics teacher and on Thursday we will be working on invasion games.

Your child needs their PE kit on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Welcome back! I hope you had a good break. In our new topic we will be learning all about Ancient Egypt. We will be learning about how the ancient Egyptians lived and how they influence our lives today. We will be learning about beliefs and practices during this period and comparing them to how we live today. We also have STEM week to look forward to this half term. After half term we will be learning all about the Anglo-Saxons in Britain.

If you can, please ask your child about their learning. Thank you for supporting your child with their homework. If there is anything else you need to discuss, please feel free to make an appointment with me after school.

Thanks, Lorraine

School starts promptly at 9.00 am and ends at 3.30pm.