


<p>In LITERACY this term we are learning to...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -improve our stories by considering the setting, atmosphere and characters. -use a thesaurus to improve our work. -continue to use our spelling dictionaries by saying 'is this how you spell...' -learning/revising how to write direct speech. -re-read our work and use word processing to make a neat copy. -write about personal experiences, giving our opinions. -practise handwriting and learning presentation skills eg centering -telling the class about our Titanic research -making story sticks and using them to tell the class about our experiences. -talking to adults and other visitors to our class exhibition. -putting words in alphabetical order -scanning for key words in our reading books -talking about the plot of our novels - experiencing the last two Reading Detectives tasks, the illuminator and the mind mapper. -learning about suffixes. 	<p>In NUMERACY AND MATHEMATICS we are learning to...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning written methods for adding and subtracting • Comparing and ordering fractions • Collecting and displaying information in appropriate ways • Solve problems by working backwards or by acting out the situation. • Recite and play games with all the times tables.  <p>Our Stockbridge Counts focus is...</p> <p>Experiencing lots of mental adding and subtracting strategies</p> <p>Using the 2,3,4,5,6 and 10 times tables to solve multiplication and division problems mentally</p> <p>Sharing real items or pictures into equal parts. Finding quantities eg 1/3 of 15. Spotting equivalent fractions eg 2/4 and 1/2. Comparing fractions with the same denominator.</p>	<p>In HEALTH AND WELLBEING ...</p> <p>P.E. lessons will be taught by Mr Davies on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Mrs Robertson will continue to teach dancing 'Titanic-style' on Mondays. The children will focus on athletics leading up to Sports Day – Fri 8th June. The end of term focus is on batting and fielding games. Please ensure the children have a PE kit with them at all times.</p> <p>Building Resilience – 'Get Active' The key messages we explore with the children are that – being active is good for the body and the mind - hobbies and interests are good for you - doing anything new involves taking a risk.</p> <p>We will be learning about the Rights of the Child. Focus rights will be..</p> <p>Article 29 Developing respect for their own and other cultures. Developing respect for the environment.</p> <p>Article 31 Every child has the right to relax, play and take part in a wide range of cultural and artistic activities.</p> <p>Article 24 Every child has the right to the best possible health.</p>
<p>Our INTERDISCIPLINARY LEARNING TOPIC this term is...</p> <p>We will end our Titanic topic with an exhibition (open day) on Thursday 17th May. See homelink jotters for visiting times. Within the topic we will be experiencing...</p> <p>Technology – making a suitcase with a working handle Mathematics – symmetry, compass points, shape vocabulary and timetables.</p> <p>Our second topic this session is WOODLANDS. We will be learning about the plants, animals and ecosystems within woodlands. We will visit local woodlands to investigate what lives there and use woodlands for outdoor learning in maths, literacy and PE. We have already had a visit in STEM week from Ms Cornu who taught us a lot about forests and made us want to learn more.</p>	<p>OTHER LEARNING AND WIDER SCHOOL LIFE...</p> <p>We will be learning about the 'Places of Worship' important to world religions within RME.</p> <p>We have a mini-project about weather at the end of term.</p> <p>The class will have the opportunity to work with specialist teachers in gym, ICT, French, Mandarin and ukulele this session.</p> <p>The class are practising a French song to sing at the end of year assembly.</p>	<p>OTHER NEWS AND REMINDERS..</p> <p>Please try and encourage your child to complete at least one task from the home learning wall each week. There will also be a longer piece of topic homework on the Titanic – see Homelink jotter. Some tasks link up with specific topics but may be done whenever you wish.</p> <p><i>Pupils should bring a pencil case, with a sharpened pencil and a rubber to class each day.</i></p> <p><i>Please check schoolbags for letters, permission slips etc.</i></p> <p><i>Please remember to check your child's ONLINE LEARNING JOURNAL regularly and make comments. We are really keen to hear about their wider achievements and you can record these on the Online Journal. Mrs Robertson</i></p>