



Faith Class Newsletter: term 2

3rd November 2017

Dear Parents,

I hope you have all had a good half term break and that your children are looking forward to the exciting term ahead of them.

As always we have lots of interesting learning planned. During this term, Faith Class will be exploring China, with a focus on the geographical features of the country and its culture. The class will learn about China's main cities and rivers, its population, the Great Wall of China and we end with cooking some Chinese food. The topic will inform how we approach other areas of the curriculum

In science and technology, the children will be learning about light, in particular reflection, sources of light, shadows and transparency.

Our history and science topics will inform how we creatively approach other areas of the curriculum. For example, as part of their English learning, the children will be writing their own Chinese folk tales, learning how to write informal letters and finally we explore haiku and tanks poems. In art and design, we will be making paper lanterns, tangrams, as well as making our own shadow puppets.

To deepen their understanding of algorithms, the children will be using Scratch in computing lessons to create their own maze.

Our maths learning will begin by developing the children's understanding of mental and written methods of addition and subtraction, we then move onto learning about written methods of multiplication, as well as fractions, geometry (shape and position) and finally we end with learning more about statistics and time.

There will be two PE lessons every week, one of which will be delivered by Up and Under teaching dance and I will teach the other lesson, focusing on ball skills in netball and basketball. **Please ensure your child leaves their PE kit in school all week and that they bring a water bottle to school every day.**

With Mrs Kelsey, the children will learn about Christianity and focus on religious pilgrimages and the Christmas story.

Weekly home learning and spellings will be set each Friday and should be handed in the following Wednesday. Spelling tests will be each Wednesday. In addition to weekly home learning tasks, children are encouraged to complete two termly home learning activities (please see home learning planner).

As always, if you have a particular interest in any of our topics and would like to come in and share resources or experiences with the children, it would be very much appreciated.

Thank for your continued support with your child's learning. If you have any questions or concerns, please see me before or after school.

Best wishes

Miss Moseley