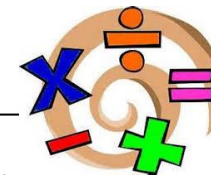


Elm Class Year 5 and 6

Term 3

Mr Agate and Mrs Hoye



English:

This term we will continue to develop our understanding of the use of Grammar and punctuation by looking at excerpt of text and how authors use it to convey meaning and effect and using this to enhance our writing We will continue looking at the Year 5/6 spelling words and learning the spelling patterns and rules.



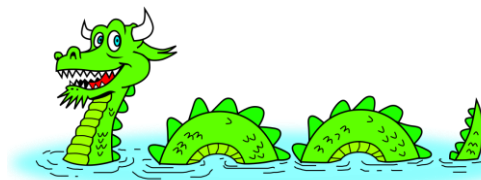
History: We will be exploring the history of Scotland and look at how Britain has changed since the Stone Age. We will be looking at how **Scotland** has developed its own identity within the UK. We will then be looking at the USA and **North America** in particular. We will be comparing and contrasting the two countries and their people. We will look at some of the amazing landscapes and weather into term 4.

Maths: We will...

- Calculate area of regular and irregular shapes.
- Focus on fractions and percentages
- Revise addition and subtraction
- Look at written methods for addition and subtraction.
- Revise division and multiplication and BIDMAS
- Ensure we know our times tables.

Science: We will be looking at animals including humans, looking at diet, exercise and parts of the circulatory system.

We will be studying electricity and circuits. We will be looking at energy and inventors, as well as investigating electricity.



Computing: We will continue to develop our understanding of how we can keep ourselves safe when using technology. Online safety is our focus.



ZIP IT
Keep your personal stuff private and think about what you say and do online.



BLOCK IT
Block people who send nasty messages and don't open unknown links and attachments.



FLAG IT
Flag up with someone you trust if anything alerts you or if someone asks to meet you offline.



RE: We will be studying Judaism, looking at the synagogue and Sukkot. We will also be looking at Trinity and communion in Christian studies.

The Arts

As musicians we will have weekly recorder lessons with Mr Agate; we will continue to learn new notes, how to read music, gain an appreciation of different music and associated terminology. We will also be composing music. Singing will also be in the curriculum.

We will be creating our own Celtic knots and we are creating a Viking Boat for the atrium, using papier mache and junk materials in term 3.

As artists we will be looking at painting and printing skills.

PE: We will develop our ball skills during hockey practice with Mrs Hoye and dance with Mr Agate.

We will develop our dance techniques ready for the Big Dance with Abi from her dance studio.



PSHE: We will have a weekly circle time to discuss feelings and emotions. We will be looking at relationships and the power of talk. We will be discussing positive relationships.

French: We will continue to broaden our vocabulary and develop our ability to understand new words.

Dear Parent/Carer,

Happy New Year! Welcome back. This term is a long one, but should be full of opportunities for the children to develop and consolidate skills. We start the term with a focus on dance, welcoming Abi from AB dance school to run us through a dance routine ready for The Big Dance later in term 4. Details and how to buy tickets will follow shortly.

This term sees us focus on Scotland, looking at the people, places and geographical features of the country. We look at events that have transformed Scotland, along with people that have stood out in time. We will be having a special Scottish day towards the end of term 3, where the children will have the opportunity to dress up as Scots for the day, enjoy a Scottish feast and make some Scottish delicacies. Haggis tasting is optional! Please start to think about what they could wear, look out for kilts in charity shops and tartan scarves/trousers/socks etc.

As part of our studies, we will be looking at the impact of the Vikings on Scotland and how their traditions still live on today. We aim to build a large Viking boat in the atrium as part of these studies out of junk materials and papier mache. If you are a newspaper reader, please keep and send into school when no longer wanted. We also need large cardboard, so if you got a new TV or something in a large cardboard box please can we have the flattened box. Thank you.

In English, we continue to focus on punctuation, looking for opportunities for writing and extending writing. Our class book is called "The Journey". Spelling continues as a whole class focus each week as well as handwriting.

In maths we focus on Bidmas, fractions and statistics. We continue to work on 2D and 3D shapes and their properties, as well as continuing our focus on learning our times tables. Times table knowledge is essential.

Mr Jamieson Agate. Class-teacher.