English

We will kicking off with our 'Book fortnight' which we are all super excited for. We will be discovering a new creature called the mysterious 'Burdock.' We will begin by making our own Burdocks which will be taking home so we can work out the best way to look after them. We will then be writing our own instructions to enable others to know how to look after their Burdock's.

As readers we will continue to enjoy our class book 'Cakes in Space.' We cannot believe the character has been asleep for 999 years and cannot wait to find out about the planet they are going to be living on.

We will also have a workshop with illustrator 'Garry Parsons' who will be showing us how he works as an illustrator and hopefully inspire some future artists.

Mathematics

As Mathematicians, we will begin by developing our multiplying and dividing skills even further using pictorial and abstract methods. This will allow us to solve tricky problems including word problems. We will also be finding out about measuring including capacity. Through this half term we will be measuring given amounts and then identifying amounts.

Science

As scientists, we will be learning all about

'Materials and how they change.' We will begin by finding out if all materials can be changed and then investigating how materials can be changed. This will include melting and making jelly to observe changes.

Geography

As geographers, we will be discovering the role and job description of an astronaut. We will be exploring our local environment and looking after the world around us. We will draw maps and plot routes linked to our space work.

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As technologists, we will be logging on to the laptops and using them to support our learning. We will be thinking about staying safe when using the internet. We will also be beginning to research information about Space.

Computing

Music

As musicians, the children will continue to listen to music with sustained concentration to find the pulse and use movement. They will also continue to learn to read and perform music when playing the ocarinas.

E-Safety

As **technologists**, the children will revisit the school's e-safety rules and discuss why each one is important. They will have the opportunity to put them into practice when using the laptops and internet for research.

Art/DT

As designers, we will be given a set criteria and then use this criteria to design and make our own Burdocks. We will be sewing them and using a hot glue gun to add all the details.

PSHE

In PSHE we will be learning about healthy and unhealthy choices linked to food, exercise and our mind-set. We will also be considering how germs can cause illness and disease along with ways we can help ourselves when we feel poorly. Most importantly we will be exploring road safety and recognising who to ask for help from if I feel frightened.

RE

This term, we will be exploring 'special places.'
This will include a visit to the church so the children can see a special place to Christians and then describing their own special, safe places.

PE

As competitors, we will be developing our football skills. This will involve having control over the ball as well as developing our 'saving' skills. We will also be learning to skip in preparation for our 'May Day' dance.

Important Dates

Monday- Mrs Horton and Mrs Giddings.

Tuesday- Mrs Horton and Mrs Giddings. Forest school

Wednesday- Mrs Horton and Mrs Giddings. PE morning- outdoors.

Thursday- Mrs Law and Mrs Giddings. (Mrs Horton in school) PE afternoon

Friday- Mrs Law and Mrs Giddings. Celebration assembly.

Homework

Please continue to hear your child read as often as you can and make comments about how they are getting on. It is important that your child understands and can talk about what they are reading, as well as decoding the words. Please use the suggested questions handed out at Parents' Evening to help you with this, and encourage your child to find the evidence in the text that supports their answers.

Each week the children will be given some spellings to learn at home. As we are now into the second part of the academic year, we suggest that they put each word into a sentence, as well as learning how to spell it.

The children will also be asked to complete a 'Learning Journal' as part of their homework. They will be asked to demonstrate their learning from English, mathematics or topic sessions that week, and they may choose their own way of doing so.

Spellings and homework will be given on Fridays for completion by the following Thursday, when spellings will also be tested.

Useful Websites:

English, mathematics and science activities:

www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks1/

Handwriting practice:

www.letterjoin.co.uk (username: kings password: cliffe)

Science

http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks1/science/properties_of_materials/play/http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks1/science/changing_materials/play/

Space

https://spaceplace.nasa.gov/menu/play/

https://www.spacekids.co.uk/learn/

If you have any questions or comments, please speak to us in the playground on Thursday mornings or at the end of the day. Alternatively, you can write a note in the reading diary. If you wish to discuss an issue in more depth, please do not hesitate to make an appointment.

Mrs Horton, Mrs Wynn and Mrs Smith

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