



Frog Class Newsletter Autumn Term 2023

Welcome to Frog Class!

Welcome back to another school year; we hope that you all had a fantastic summer break. We are excited to start the new term and establish new routines. We strive to make lasting learning memories and to have a productive year.

Frog Class is part of Pathway 3 in school. Mr T Robinson is the class teacher and the teaching assistants in class are Mrs Simpson and Mrs Oakley.

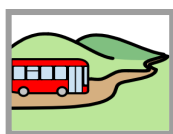
There will be an opportunity for you to come into class to meet us and see how your child has settled in on Friday 29th September, during our MacMillan Coffee morning. It will also be a chance for you to see the changes that have been made around school over the summer holidays.



Our PE days are Thursday and Friday. During the session on Thursday we will be working on our throwing and catching skills along with doing a range of physical exercise. Our Friday sessions will be led by a coach and we will be learning and developing some cricket skills. Please make sure your child has their PE kit to keep in school and all items of clothing are clearly labelled.



During the Autumn Term we will be developing our 'life skills' throughout our weekly focused sessions. In the first half term we will be focusing on 'Keeping Safe'. In the second half term we will be developing our knowledge and skills linked to 'Personal Hygiene' ensuring we know the importance of this in our everyday lives.



We hope to plan some visits and experiences over the term, including a Christmas treat. Please look out for more information later on in the term.



Each pupil will have their own individual reading book that they will bring home everyday. Please try to read with your child at home as much as possible and fill out their reading record book. Reading at home with your child has a positive impact on their development in both their reading, speaking and listening skills. Please ensure that your child's reading book and reading record is sent into school everyday.

We believe in the importance of reading and sharing stories with your child. It does not have to be just your child's reading book, you can share comics and magazines etc.





Our topic this half term is **Changes Over Time**.

We will be learning about the four seasons and how the seasons change throughout the year. We will learn about different weather types, climates and how it differs in different continents and regions. We will also be looking at historical figures such as David Livingstone, Captain Cook and Christopher Columbus.

We will be reading and exploring various stories and texts together that link to our topic. Some of these will include, *Skip through the Seasons*, *Elmer's Weather*, *One Year with Kipper*, *Don't Hog the Hedge*, *Abracadabra*, *It's Spring*, *And then comes Summer* and *One Snowy Night*.

Throughout our Literacy lessons we will develop skills in reading, writing, speaking and listening through a variety of activities linked to our topic. We will have daily phonics sessions and this will enable the children to further develop their reading and writing skills.

Our work in Maths will continue to be based around the areas of number and place value, shape, space and measure. The using and applying of our maths skills will link to all of our work and learning opportunities and will promote our life long skills linked to maths.

In Science we will be learning about temperature, weather and light and dark. We will also discover what plants need in order to grow.

Our activities and learning throughout our topic will also involve creating pieces of artwork and exploring technology. In art this term, the children will explore seasonal colours and have opportunities to mix colours and observe the changes.

Our Jigsaw themes for this half term are 'Being Me in My World' and 'Celebrating Difference'.

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Please use the home/school book to inform us of any important information. Please call the school office if you any need any support. 01384 818265

Thankyou for your ongoing support.

