

Autumn Term 1

Dosbarth Rhossili



Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome back! It's hard to believe that this will be the final year in primary school for the children of Dosbarth Rhossili – it certainly doesn't seem very long ago I had the pleasure of teaching many of them when they were in Year 2. I am very excited to teach Year 6 again, alongside Miss Shephard who will be working in Year 6 during the Autumn term. We have a fun filled year ahead and we look forward to all our fun adventures together. Our new topic this term is 'Marvellous Me' and our class Novel is The Goldfish

Health and Wellbeing

We will be...

- Taking part in Swimming lessons (Group A) or Hockey (Group B) every Wednesday – These will switch after half term.
- Dance (Every Friday)
- When reading our class novel we will discuss issues such as mental health conditions, moral dilemmas, friendships and values.
- Identifying ways to keep our body and healthy.
- Mindfulness activities.
- Outdoor learning in the woodlands



Mathematical Development

We will be...

- Recapping previously taught addition, subtraction, multiplication and division strategies
- Developing our understanding of place value and linking it to real life situations
- Inverse operation – using it to check our answers are correct.
- Collating data and producing graphs



Language, Literacy and Communication

We will be...

Speaking and listening

- Taking part in role play activities.
- Reciting poetry
- Harvest Festival service

Reading

- Listening and responding to whole class novels, our first being 'Goldfish boy'. It would be beneficial, although not essential, if pupils could purchase their own copy of the book to use in class over the Autumn Term.
- Taking part in whole class reading sessions and follow-on activities linked to the text.

Writing

- Write song lyrics / poetry about themselves using similes. Inspired by the song 'Everything at once'.
- Produce a newspaper article or news report (linked to class novel)
- Create an information leaflet about obsessive compulsive disorders and how to offer support to sufferers.

Welsh language development

- Retell the account of a trip to Barry Island
- Talk about a trip or holiday
- Create an iMovie of a recent trip
- Read aloud and discuss the poem **Y Parc**

Boy.

Humanities

We will be...

- Taking part in a Harvest festival celebration
- research infectious diseases, then design and build a model of a hand washing device for a school in Kenya
- Learning about 'The Rights of the Child' and 'Global goals'

Expressive Arts

We will be...

- To make a model of the lungs/respiratory system.
- Write and perform poetry.
- Throughout the term children will have the opportunity to choose how they would like to present their work, using a range of artistic and electronic mediums.

Science and Technology

We will be...

- STEM Project – links to Formula 1. Pupils will be designing and building a race car.
- Learning about the respiratory system and the circulatory system.
- Functions of the various organs in the body.
- Create a database about athletes from Olympics.
- Choose one athlete to create an inspirational video on adobe spark.
- Using a range of ICT to publish our work



Homework and Home Reading

- Homework will be set on Microsoft Teams every Friday which children can access through their HWB account. Please let me know if you need login details.
- Homework will be marked and children can see their feedback via Teams.
- Reading regularly (10/15 minutes per day) is one of the best things you could do with your child to improve their academic achievement and creativity. Please try to read something every day. We can provide recommended reading lists suitable for your child on request.



Reminders

- Tuck is now available to purchase in school priced at 30p per day. It would really help us if you could send in £1.50 on a Monday so we know how much tuck is required for the week.
- Please ensure your child brings a drinks bottle to school with them every day. These can be refilled throughout the day when required.
- Children are allowed to bring their own pencil cases in for their own personal use only.
- **Children to wear PE kit suitable for outdoor PE every Wednesday and Friday.**

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