



Garfield Primary School



English

In English this half term the children will be set weekly writing tasks each week via Google Classroom. Children will be asked to write free verse poetry based on the Caribbean and write a narrative based on Anansi stories.

Children will also be asked to write an informal letter to a class friend of their choice and a formal letter to their new teacher as part of the transition into year 6.

We will also be developing our grammar skills by learning about inverted commas, the use of apostrophes and relative clauses.

Maths

In Math this half term we will continue to learn about fractions, percentages, multiplication and division. Then we will focus on shape, learning how to calculate the area; find a missing length of a perimeter and begin to understand volume.

We would like you to regularly practise your times tables and mental maths, particularly focusing on counting in decimals and knowing the prime, square and cube numbers.

Weekly maths activities will continue to be set every Monday on Google Classroom.

Science

This term, we will be continuing our Science topic, 'Living things and their Habitats'. We will be learning about how animals reproduce and giving children the opportunity to conduct their own research.

The children will be asked to research the life cycle of a bird, mammal and amphibian of their choice. The children will be expected to use scientific vocabulary and facts identify the different stages of the life cycle.

Weekly science activities will be set on Google Classroom for your child to complete.

Topic

This term we will be learning about the physical features of the Caribbean Islands and the U.K. Children will be asked to identify different types of land use on a map. Please ask your child to complete this online lesson to support their map work: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zvsfr82/articles/zdk46v4>.

Then, children will be learning about the human features of the Caribbean and exploring what the future holds, taking account of issues impacting human features e.g. farming. You child should complete: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zx72pv4> to enhance their learning as well as completing the Google Classroom tasks.

Computer

Continue to logon to Google Classroom where you can to complete your online learning and speak to your friends and teachers.

Music

We would like children to participate in the Body Percussion classes. The website links will be posted on the weekly Year 5 letters on our school website.

Curriculum Newsletter

How are the Caribbean Islands and the U.K similar?

P.E: Complete the BBC Bitesize P.E. lessons on dance, exercise and sports. Website link: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zj6pyrd>

Homework: Daily reading for approximately 30 minutes; continue practising your times tables and your spellings from the year 5 spelling list.

Suggested books to read

Treasure Island by Robert Louis Stevenson

A year full of stories by Angela McAllister

Michael Rosen's A-Z by Michael Rosen

Explosive Adventures: The Popcorn Pirates and The Bubblegum Tree by Alexander McCall Smith

All books are available on the suggested website links.

RE: This half-term we are studying Islam. Can your child watch?

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zpdtbkb/articles/zhjif4j>

This teaches children about Eid-ul- Fitr and Eid- ul Adha.

PSHE: Our topic is 'Health eating'. We would like children to begin by completing the lesson: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/clips/zcw9wmn> which discusses health eating and explains about obesity. More lessons with follow on Google Classroom.

French : Children will be learning the French vocabulary to be able to discuss birthdays. Encourage your child to watch: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z7tg9j6/resources/1>.

Suggested websites to visit

www.oxfordowl.co.uk

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/dailylessons>

www.audible.co.uk

<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/>

<http://myths.e2bn.org/mythsandlegends/origins11717-anansi-brings-stories-to-the-world.html>