

Dosbarth Whitesands Curriculum Letter Summer 2022

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Language, Literacy and Communication

This term our literacy will be taught through the Talk For Writing process. Initially children will be writing a warning tale. This will be based upon our model text 'The Caravan.' Children also work on discussions and persuasion. In poetry we will look at free verse poetry. We will also be using Voice 21 to enhance our oracy skills.

Our class novel to run alongside our topic work will be The Last Bear, which revolves around April, the daughter of an Arctic researcher, and her chance encounter with a lone polar bear. It is an adventure story about the extraordinary bond between a child and an animal and April's worries as she also witnesses first-hand the impact of climate change.

Topic

Our topic this term is 'Planet Protectors', which will connect directly with the Global Goal of Climate Action. We will be exploring this topic across the curriculum linking in science, geography, Welsh and art and will also support the development of literacy, numeracy and ICT skills. Throughout this topic, the children will be at the centre of their learning in planning what they would like to find out.

Physical Development

PE will continue to be on a Wednesday afternoon this term. The sessions will be run by our local Swansea City Premier League Stars Coach and will continue to focus on the development of multi skills.

Welcome back Dosbarth Whitesands!

Croeso nôl Ddosbarth Whitesands!

We hope you all had a relaxing Easter break and are ready for the final term in Year 5! This letter outlines the curriculum focus for each subject this term. We hope you find this information useful in supporting your child at home with the work they are engaged in at school.

Curriculum Focus for this term

Our enquiry questions for this term have been generated by pupil voice.

- 1. Why is the Earth in danger?**
- 2. What can we do to protect the environment around us?**
- 3. How is climate change affecting our planet?**

Religious Education

This term we will be focusing on:

***Pentecost: Serving—New Life.**

To hear & live the Easter Message

***Reconciliation: Interrelating- Building Bridges.** Admitting wrong, being reconciled with God and each other Sacrament of Reconciliation

***Universal Church: World—God's People:** Different saints show people what God is like.

Current Virtues:

Summer 1:
Attentive and Discerning

Summer 2:
Compassionate and Loving

Mathematical Development

This term we will be focusing on the following numeracy skills:

- *ordering and comparing the cost of items up to £1000, adding and subtracting totals less than £100
- *drawing the reflection of a shape in any line & completing a partly drawn shape after rotation as well as translating a shape
- *investigating & drawing angles
- *reading & using analogue & digital clocks, timing & ordering events in minutes and seconds
- *measuring, making estimates & carrying out conversions of length, weight/mass & capacity based on knowledge of the size of real-life objects.

Welsh Language Development

Children will work with the new Welsh Language Continuum which will focus on discussing the weather, places and location and past events. Children will create weather reports, vlogs and recounts. In addition to our weekly Welsh lessons, the children will also be involved in reading sessions throughout the week to support their Welsh language development.

Science

Science will be taught through 'hands on' investigations. We're focusing on the skills of identifying variables, making a hypothesis, measuring, choosing the best type of graph to show our results, and evaluating. The children will plan what they would like to learn about, linked to our topic.