

Dosbarth Whitesands Curriculum Letter Spring 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 legend where a monster is defeated. This will be based upon our model text 'Beowulf.' Children also will write recounts, including a diary entry and write to inform. In poetry we will write a cinquain. We will also be using Voice 21 to enhance our oracy skills.

Our class novel to run alongside our topic work will be the historical text 'The Queen's Fool' by Ally Sherrick which is a Tudor adventure full of plots and perils to tournaments and feasts. It offers a fresh perspective into life during the Tudor period.

Topic

Our topic this term is 'Beyond the Castle Doors'. 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 be on a Thursday afternoon this term. The sessions will be run by our local WRU officer and will continue to focus on the development of multi skills.

Welcome back Dosbarth Whitesands!

Croeso i Ddosbarth Whitesands!

We hope you all had a relaxing Christmas break and are ready for this term! 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.

Diolch, Mrs Sims & Miss Lewis

Curriculum Focus for this term

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

1. Why did the Tudors have links with Pembrokeshire?
2. What was life like in Tudor times?
3. How did the Tudors shape our lives today?

Religious Education

This term we will be focusing on:

- **Local Church: Community** – Community: Life in the local Christian community: ministries in the parish
- **Eucharist: Relating** – Giving & Receiving: Celebrating growth to new life
- **Lent/Easter-Giving** – Self Discipline: To hear & live the Easter Message

Current Virtues:

Spring 1:
Intentional & Prophetic

Spring 2:
Grateful & Generous

Mathematical Development

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

- Using mental strategies to recall multiplication tables and using this knowledge to solve division problems
- Fractions, percentages, decimals and ratio
- Functions - use multistep function machines to generate input and output using all four operations

Welsh Language Development

- Children will work with the new Welsh Language Continuum which will focus on commands and how to make things. Children will produce instructions to link with our topic work. 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.
- We will also prepare for our Eisteddfod

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 '