

Dosbarth Newgale Curriculum Letter Autumn Term 2023

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Language, Literacy and Communication

Throughout our literacy learning, pupils will have the opportunity to:

- Learn and write their own warning story, focusing on setting and suspense using Talk for Writing. We will be using the Talk for Writing model text, 'The Stone Trolls'.
- Explore persuasion and discussion through Talk for Writing.
- Explore and write their own free-verse poem. We will also be using Oracy 21 to further enhance our literacy skills, particularly discussion. Pupils will continue to develop their Welsh oracy, writing and reading skills using the new Welsh continuum. Pupils will be introduced to new vocabulary as well as a variety of new phrases, questions and sentence patterns to express opinion as well as describing and identifying in the first person

Topic

We will be exploring our topic across all areas of learning; expressive arts, science and technology, humanities, and health and wellbeing. The teaching throughout the term will support the development of literacy, numeracy and digital skills.

Throughout this topic, the children will be at the centre of their learning in planning what they would like to find out and using their pupil voice to lead their learning.

Croeso nol to Dosbarth Newgale

Welcome back! I hope you have all enjoyed the summer break and are ready to begin a new school year. This letter outlines the curriculum focus for each area of learning this term and we hope you find it useful. This term, our topic focus is, 'The Fairtrade Farmer'. Pupil voice continues to lead our learning, and the children have had the opportunity to discuss what they would like to find out this term.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch via Seesaw if you have any questions.

Miss Edwards 😊

Curriculum Focus for this term

Pembrokeshire Produce and the Fairtrade Farmer

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

1. *What is Fairtrade?*
2. *Why is Fairtrade important?*
3. *How does Fairtrade help us in Pembrokeshire and others?*

Health and Wellbeing

PE will be on a Wednesday for the first half of the term. Please can children come dressed in their PE kit on this day.

Mathematics and Numeracy

- Reading, writing and interpreting numbers.
- Understanding the place value of a number.
- Rounding numbers to the nearest 10 and 100.
- Comparing and estimating with numbers.
- Ordering and sequencing numbers.
- Adding and subtracting whole numbers, using a variety of written and mental methods.
- Multiplying and dividing whole numbers, using a range of representations, including sharing, grouping and arrays.
 - Exploring 2D shapes and their properties in a range of contexts.
 - Exploring reflective symmetry.

In addition to the above, pupils will also participate in 'Quick Fire Maths' starter activities, which focus on quick recall of number facts. During our maths session, there will be opportunities for mathematical talk to further develop pupils' ability to reason and justify. Pupils will also apply their developing skills across the curriculum in new and authentic contexts.

Religious Education

The pupils will be taught the Come and See themes, based on the Church, Sacrament and Christian Living. The children will explore the following topics and big questions: Homes – What makes a house a home? Promises – why make promises? Visitors – Are visitors always welcome? Our virtues this term will be 'Grateful and Generous' and 'Attentive and Discerning'.