



Armstrong Class

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Hope you all had a great Christmas and I wish you all a very Happy New Year. Can I remind parents that children are only to bring water in their bottles for the classroom. Our Topic this term is 'Marvellous Mapping', our Science topic is 'Everyday Materials' and in RE we will be learning about 'Judaism'. In PE year 2 children will be going swimming and Y1 children will be doing gymnastics.

Year 1 English Learning Objectives	Handy hints for parents
1. I can form my letters correctly.	1. Encourage children to form letters in cursive font (PTO for guidance on cursive fonts).
2. I can say my sentence out loud before I write it.	2. Support children to say out loud their sentence before attempting to write it.
3. I can write each letter in lowercase and uppercase.	3. Encourage your child to write words in uppercase and lowercase.
Year 2 English Objectives	Handy hints for parents
1. I can say my sentence out loud before I write it.	1. Encourage your child to say their sentence out loud before attempting to write it.
2. I can form my letters correctly.	2. Encourage children to form letters in cursive font (PTO for guidance on cursive fonts).
3. I can use adjectives to describe people, places and things (calm, ugly, tangy etc.).	3. Encourage children to describe people, places and things.

Year 1 Maths Learning Objectives	Handy hints for parents
1. I can count to 50 forwards and backwards.	1. Pick a number card to 50 and begin to count on from or back from.
2. I can say how many tens and ones a number has (13 is 1 ten and 3 ones).	2. Pick a number card to 50, and then split the number into tens and ones.
3. I can say my 2 and 10 times tables (1 times 2 is 2 etc.) to $12 \times 2 = 24$ and $12 \times 10 = 120$ respectively.	3. Encourage children to chant their times tables by saying 1 times 2 is 2, rather than 2, 4, 6, 8 etc.
Year 2 Maths Learning Objectives	Handy hints for parents
1. I can say my 2, 5 and 10 times tables (1 times 2 is 2 etc.) to $12 \times 2 = 24$	1. Encourage children to chant their times tables by saying 1 times 2 is 2, rather than 2, 4, 6, 8 etc.
2. I can count in steps of 2, 5 and 10 from any given number to 100 and back to 0.	2. Pick a number card and ask your child to count forward in 1's, 2's, 5's and 10's or backwards in the same steps.
3. I can halve a number.	3. Pick a number to 20, and the challenge your child to halve it (sharing between two people).

Topic/Science/RE

- In Topic we will be looking at different types of maps and discussing what maps are used for. You could watch a weather report and look at the map of the country.
- In Science we will be looking at materials that are used in our everyday lives. Your child could use some materials to make a model and explain why they used a particular material.
- In RE we will be looking at Judaism. We will be discussing, reading and retelling stories from the old testament. As part of this we will be looking at the meaning of the stories and what they mean to Christians and to us.

PE will be on a Thursday afternoon, so please ensure your child has a PE kit in school and that your child has suitable clothing and footwear as we will be using the sports court when the weather permits. Your child will receive homework on Friday. An English and Maths sheet to cover the objectives from the curriculum (both to be returned by the following Friday). We will also be practising spellings and times tables so they are also going to be sent home ready for a practise test on the following Friday. Reading books are to be brought back to school daily please, as we are working hard to build a love and passion for reading, so we would encourage children to read daily at both school and home.

I am available at the end of the school day should you wish to discuss any matters concerning your child.

Thank you

Mrs Roberts



'Today in the town of David, a saviour has been born to you. He is Christ the Lord.'

Luke 2:8-11