



Coalbrookdale & Ironbridge C.E. Primary School



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Dear Parents and Carers

Autumn Term 2023

What are we learning in Year this half term?

Welcome to the Autumn Term! We hope you have enjoyed a relaxing Summer break. It has been great to see the children back in school and we look forward to seeing what this term brings.

Below is a summary of what we will be learning this half term (Wednesday 6th September – Thursday 26th October).

Reading	This half term, we will be reading Great Expectations by Charles Dickens and The Highway Man by Alfred Noyes. Our Guided Reading lessons will focus on a range of reading skills such as inference, comparing and contrasting themes and characters, vocabulary choices and the impact on the reader and making links across the texts.
Writing	We will be using the books from Guided Reading as our stimulus for our writing this half term too. We will be writing a character description and a newspaper article based on Great Expectations and unpicking the meaning of the poem, The Highway Man.
Maths	During Autumn 1, we will be starting with Place Value and using numbers up to 10,000,000. We will then move on to Addition and Subtraction and then Multiplication and Division. During each unit, we will be developing fluency, recall and reasoning skills.
R.E	Our R.E topic is 'The Kingdom of God' and we will be focussing on the question 'What type of god is Jesus?'
Science	Our Science topic is Electricity this half term. We will be focussing on building and testing simple, series and parallel circuits. We will also continue to develop our understanding of conductors and insulators.
Geography / History	Our History enquiry question this half term is 'Who were the Abraham Darby dynasty and why were they significant in Coalbrookdale?'. This unit will focus on the impact of the Darby family and how Coalbrookdale became known as the cradle of the Industrial Revolution.
PE	In our P.E. sessions with Embrace on a Wednesday, we will be playing Tag Rugby or focussing on fitness.



Music	In Music we will be focussing on developing musical phrases and studying the composer Aaron Copland as an inspiration.
Computing	We will be using Purple Mash for our computing lessons as well as covering online safety in every computing session. This term we will look at coding.
Online Safety	We will be using Project Evolve to support the children with their online safety learning. We will be focussing on spam emails, plagiarism and citing sources, secure passwords and fake images.
PSHCE (Personal, Social, Health, Cultural Education)	In Jigsaw, our topic this half term is Being Me in My World where we will cover As part of our work on learning about differences and the 9 protected characteristics, we use learning material from an educational source called 'No Outsiders, All Different and All Welcome'. We will also look at the five British Values this term, with a focus on democracy.
Wellbeing	We will be learning how to keep ourselves safe with materials and guidance from NSPCC. During this week we will discuss the importance of children's rights and mutual respect. As a school, we have a subscription to Calm Brain which is a video stimulus used to calm children so that they are in a better state to learn, attend and develop. It achieves this by understanding that for children to develop effectively they need to have healthy brain organisation, and their brain needs to communicate effectively to itself by working as a whole. CalmBrain is therefore a psychological intervention that addresses key neurological features.
Collective Worship	Collective Worship is held daily. Our value for this half term is Trust. Our Safeguarding Crew and Anti-bullying Ambassadors will be supporting with Collective Worship and sharing ideas and ways to keep safe around school. We also learn about equality, nine protected characteristics and the five British Values through stories in Collective Worship.
Other school events:	Black History Month WB 2.10.23 Year 2 Harvest Performance TBC Hello Yellow (Mental Health Awareness) 10.10.23 Parents Evenings 16.10.23 and 23.10.23 Ironbridge Christmas Lights 25.11.23
Attendance	At the beginning of each week, every class receives a weekly attendance target in Collective Worship. Attendance certificates are also awarded to those classes who reached their attendance target from the previous week. These are specific to each class. Ace our Attendance mascot will be visiting on Monday 2.10.23 for the week. Look out for him on the school gates each morning.

	<p>Reminder: Gates open at 8:35am Registration and start of school day: 8:50am End of school day: 3:20pm</p>
Homework	<p>Homework will be collected in every Wednesday and sent out again on Friday. Please see your child's homework book for more details.</p>