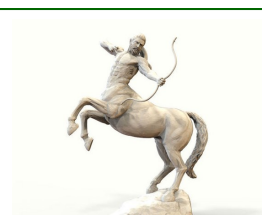


Farnborough Primary School

SPRING TERM— YEAR FIVE



Welcome Back!

I hope that you have all had a fun and relaxing Christmas break and that the children are all eager for a new and exciting year. I am very excited about our new topic 'Farnborough Spa' thankfully all the children are just as enthused and we are all looking forward to sharing this new topic with you, in the new year.

The Year 5 team are looking forward to helping the children work hard with a stimulating and challenging term ahead!

Thank you for your support.

Miss Morrison

Farnborough Spa



Centaurus will be introduced to enterprise through a fun, creative challenge; to plan and launch a new Fitness Session in school that will inspire activeness and encourage students to have 'Active Minds'. Students will put their creativity and organisation to the test as they design their own school Fitness Session, to be planned, promoted and led by them. As well as teaching children about the benefits of leading an active lifestyle, the programme also brings school and wider community together with opportunities for participation in active taster sessions.

Dates for your Diary

Monday 7th January—Children return to school

Wednesday 23rd January—Bounce Beyond Trampolining

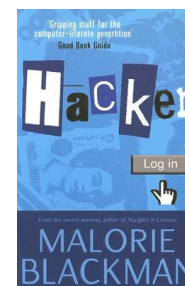
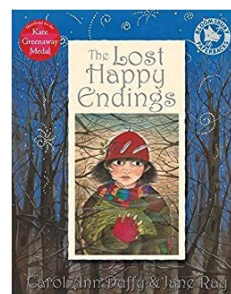
Friday 15th February—Children break up for half term

Thursday 28th March—Farnborough Spa Taster Presentation.

Wednesday 3rd April—Parents Evening

Thursday 4th April—Parents Evening

Here are the books we will be working on in our English lessons in the Spring term:



English

Through English we will begin to explore characters and narrative with the book *The Lost Happy Endings*. Following this they will develop suspense in their writing based on *Hacker* by Malorie Blackman. Finally, they will be working on *The True Story of the Three Little Pigs* which will lead them into developing Persuasive writing skills. These skills will be beneficial when the children are promoting different aspects of Farnborough Spa.

Mathematics

In Mathematics children will be working on fractions, statistics, perimeter and area. Within each of these concepts children will develop their fluency, reasoning and problem solving skills.



Science

This term, our topic in Science is Earth and Space. As Scientists, we will become Space Explorers. They will learn about the movement of the Earth, and other planets, relative to the Sun in the solar system. They will ask searching questions such as 'What if the earth had two suns?'



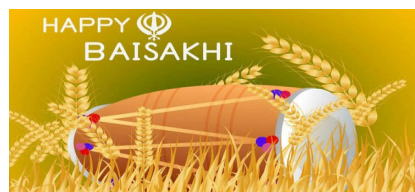
Computing

In Computing this term, children will create healthy lifestyle videos with images that they have captured, which will be used as part of a presentation on the taster day. In addition, they will record and present information using a wide range of media, combining text and graphics in posters and video for on-screen presentations.



RE

In RE we will focus on 'Vaisakhi and Christianity'. We will discuss why Sikh people celebrate Vaisakhi and the importance it has to the Sikh faith. We will look at Christianity, and look at important life ceremonies for Christians and when they take place.



Topic

As Geographers, the children will be able to understand similarities and differences in the UK compared to other parts of the world with health. They will understand the changing tastes of people in the UK and how food demands have changed over time. They will investigate how food is preserved and what happens when it travels from around the world in comparison to food grown close to home. As Designers, Children will understand what different affects food types have on the body such as the impact of eating too much sugar.

Children will investigate the nutritional values of food and with that knowledge create healthy dishes for consumption on our Farnborough Spa Tester day.



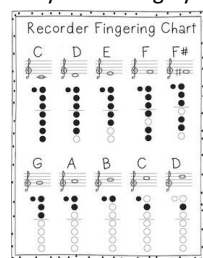
PE

The children will be taking part in dance, gymnastic and hockey sessions during our lessons this term. They will have a particular emphasis on the benefits of exercise on their bodies and develop an understanding for which exercises can be beneficial in developing health and fitness in people ranging in age and ability. We have two weekly PE lessons, which we will be able to promote this in. Could you please ensure PE kit is in school at all times and that all items are clearly labelled.



Music

As Musicians, they will be continuing to develop their Recorder skills with an emphasis on expressively combining dynamics, tempo and pitch.



P.S.H.C.E.

As members of our community they will be focusing on. Dreams and goals. They will develop strategies to keep them motivated when work is challenging and to keep a positive attitude. They will learn about the benefits of exercise on their health and their well-being.



Support at Home

In Year 5 Maths homework is given out on a Monday, it should be returned by Wednesday. English/Topic homework is given out on a Wednesday, it should be returned by the following Monday. Spellings will be given out on Thursday and children will be tested the following Thursday. The spellings for the first half term will be on the website. Please listen to your child read daily and encourage them to write a comment in their reading journal.

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