

Geography

During the spring term class 5/6 will be working by developing their mapping skills, identifying towns and cities within the UK before focusing on a European country which will be Italy. We will look at the landscape of Italy, earthquakes and the culture of Italy comparing it to the UK.

Life Skills

Children will explore issues around conservation and recycling; also develop their thinking skills, speaking and listening skills in P4C lessons having various debates and discussions. Also, class 5/6 will contribute to the whole school focus week on respect and diversity issues.

Art

Children will study the Chinese Willow pattern and design their own. They will explore stories from the Willow pattern and different techniques will be used based on observational work. We will also continue to develop our sketching skills and trying to make these more accurate.

R.E

The class will study Sikhism beliefs and morals. Children will also have time to reflect on their own beliefs in P4C discussions. Later in the spring term, they will look at the events of Easter week.

Music

Mr James will continue to teach Year 5 Brass. However, in P4C lessons the children will listen to different genres of music and discuss their views.

PE

P.E will be taught on a **Tuesday and Thursday afternoon**. Year 5 will be completing swimming on a **Tuesday** morning for this term.

Please ensure that your child has a P.E kit kept in school, also a water bottle so that they are hydrated.



Annfield Plain Junior School

HAPPY NEW YEAR!



Class 5/6
Mrs Marley
Spring Term 2022

English

Throughout the spring term children will be looking at a range of fiction and non-fiction texts including:

- Myths and legends,
- Fables from a range of cultures,
- Poetry,
- Non-chronological reports,
- Explanation texts.

Children will continue to work on grammar, punctuation and spelling on a daily basis. Handwriting practise will continue to be taught regularly so that presentation across the curriculum is consistent

Reading lessons are taught every day and your child has a log in for reading plus, which is engaging and fun. Also, your child must continue to read at least 5 times per week at home. They can read their school book or a book at home of interest as it's important that your child reads for pleasure and enjoys the book. There are questions and tips in their home school record book, to help you ask different types of questions.

Maths

Maths is taught every day. The curriculum consists of:

- Addition, subtraction, multiplication and division,
- Applying the four number facts to real life,
- Shape and space,
- Fractions, decimals and percentages.

Mental arithmetic skills are taught in every lesson and the skills are applied in maths lessons.

IMPORTANT: Your child should know all their times tables by year 5, reciting them off by heart in no particular order. Please use the recommended web sites and learn them at home with so that your child becomes confident applying them in lessons.

Science

Year 5/6 will learn about life cycles, also the reproduction of plants and animals. The children will carry out a number of investigations to develop their scientific knowledge and understanding.

ICT

In ICT the pupils will be working on controlling devices and using databases and animation. Also, they are going to research Italy and use Publisher to present these ideas in a leaflet.

Homework

On Friday's the children will receive homework and it should be returned the following Friday. This will be one piece of math's work. Spellings that we are working in school are sent home each week to be revised at home if appropriate.

REMINDER: Children should return their reading books every day and should be reading most nights to improve their reading skills and understanding. Rewards are presented to the children.

Thank you for your continued support, if you have any queries about anything please do not hesitate to contact me or catch me at the school gate.

Mrs Marley

