Tryfan Class Newsletter January 2023

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Welcome back!

I would like to wish you all a very happy new year. I hope you enjoyed the Christmas holidays. We will continue with the same staffing routine in Tryfan class this term. We are looking forward to another fun and successful term with the children.



Miss Lowri Bohana



Miss Bethan Briggs

Theme

Instead of picking a theme during this term, we'll be looking at a big question. Then over the term we will look at different themes within the question. Our question this term is 'How do things work?'. During the theme we will look at the body, energy and forces, and invent products while being creative. The children will have the opportunity to write a letter (English), an imaginary story, a review and an information sheet. The parents' voice plan will be shared out so you and your child can share ideas about tasks/activities we can do in the classroom or outdoors. We appreciate as much response and ideas as possible back please. If you have expertise or any connections with someone who can offer anything to do and the theme, please put that down on the plan.

Reading

Reading sessions will be held on a daily basis, I'll be reading with every individual during the week. They will get the chance to read with an adult, independently, reading comprehension and language games during the week. We encourage the kids to read consistently at home. We ask kindly that you read with your child daily and jot down notes in their reading journal. They'll receive a reading journal to take with them home at the end of the week. Could you please encourage them to bring it back every Friday in order to check any comments and change their books please.

We will read and use several books during this theme. This includes books such as Wallace and Grommit, David Macawlay, Until I met Dudley, Rosie Reveer: engineer and a variety of other books relating to the theme.

Here are some useful links to help develop their reading skills online:

https://hwb.gov.wales/search?query=coeden+rhydychen

https://hwb.gov.wales/search?query=prosiect+x

https://www.j2e.com/j2blast

https://wordwall.net/



Mathematics

The children's numeracy and maths skills will be targeted every day. Our focus this term will mainly be money, time and shape. It will be great if the children could have the opportunity to deal with money as much as possible to support their understanding. If they have a watch, wearing and referring to it regularly would be a good idea too. Here are a few links to practice pupil number skills;

Toy Shop Money Game (GBP) - Topmarks

Coins Game for 4-10 year olds (topmarks.co.uk)

Early Years Money Games for 5-8 Year Old | MoneySense (mymoneysense.com)

Telling the Time - Mathsframe

Telling Time For Children - Learning the Clock - YouTube

3D Shapes Games for Kids Online - SplashLearn

Home Work

Homework will be set out every half term. There'll be 3 or 4 different tasks/projects shared out and your child can choose which task to complete (can complete more than one if they'd like) during the term. This terms homework will be sent out next week. The spelling test will continue to be held weekly on Monday mornings.

Relationship and Sexuality education

Over the course of the term, we will look at the element of 'Relationship and identity'. This will include learning about fair, respectful and kind relationships. We will also learn about how to communicate with others, make decisions, manage conflicts,

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and respect the rights of themselves and others. There will also be an opportunity to learn about social norms, diverse families, happiness, identity, equality, and stereotyping.

Classroom Staff Structure

Your child will have a physical education session every Wednesday afternoon, and it is necessary to have suitable clothing (shorts, T-shirt and trainers or warm clothes to take out) to change into to be able to take part. The lessons will start on Wednesday, January 18th. The children will start their swimming lessons on Monday, January 16th. All of the information can be found on my school app. They will need suitable clothes for swimming, and will need to bring them every week until the sessions end. The children will have a PE lesson with Mr Roberts on Wednesday afternoon, and an expressive arts lesson with Miss Griffiths.

Weekly Timetable:

Day	Class Teacher	Skills / Subjects
Monday - Friday	Miss Lowri Bohana	Language, literacy and communication Maths and numeracy Science and Technology Humanities Health and Well Being Expressive arts
Wednesday afternoon Session 1 (Year 3 and 4) Session 2 (Year 5 and 6)	Miss Griffith	Expressive Arts
Wednesday afternoon Session 1 (Year 5 and 6) Session 2 (Year 5 and 6)	Mr Carwyn Roberts	Health and wellbeing

Seesaw

We continue to use SeeSaw as a means to share the childrens work and as a means of communication. Please let me know if you need a new code if you haven't managed to log in yet. We kindly ask that you contact on a school directly and not through Seesaw regarding attendance, appointments, illness, any worries or generic questions.

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General Reminders

Start time - All children need to arrive school on time by 8:50 am.

School finishes at 3:30 pm

Fruit – Children are welcome to bring a bottle of water and fruit to eat during the morning break.

If children have any resources, books, work that accompanies the class theme and they would like to bring in and share, great. I kindly ask that the children do not bring other toys and objects into school.

Thank you for your cooperation

Miss Lowri Bohana