

Welcome Back

A very warm welcome back to all of our children and families. We hope that you have all had a lovely summer break, enjoying time together, having fun and resting. We are really excited to get started and have lots of exciting things planned. This year we will continue to work across Ash and Willow Classrooms, using the whole environment for continuous provision. This means that as well as directed teaching, whole class and small groups, the children will have opportunities to learn through play and work independently. There will be set challenges to complete and these are carefully planned to meet National Curriculum objectives. Adults will move around the environment, facilitating children's play, questioning and supporting their interests and next steps in learning.

Please ensure that the children have wellies in school at all times as well as appropriate outdoor clothing.

As always please ensure that all clothing is clearly named.

We will continue to use Tapestry again this year, adults and children will be uploading photographs and videos, do look out for their super work!

Significant person

This term we have chosen to present Banksy as our significant person. It is important that the children explore people and culture that have an impact on the world. Please find out as much information as possible with the children at home. We will also discuss him at school and ask the children to present information about him to class.



Class: Ash

Term: 1



Homework

Maths homework for the children will be set via MyMaths every Friday, to be completed by the following Friday. You will receive a letter detailing your child's login details. Daily reading is also part of your child's homework. If you can, please pop a note in your child's reading record to show what you have read at home. Termly spellings will be sent home shortly. These are organized into weeks however please review these frequently.



Quest: What is Art?

In our learning quest this term, the children will be finding out about artists through history. There will be opportunities to explore different art forms, using a range of media. The focus will be on drawing and printing. There will be an exciting visit to an art gallery and the learning destination will include the children presenting their own work in our very own pop up art gallery.



PE days

This term, PE for Year 1 children will take place on a Monday and Friday. Children will need to come to school in their PE kit on these days. PE may take place outdoors, therefore we advise that children wear a red hoodie for warmth.



Collective Worship

Collective worship will take place this year on a Monday and a Wednesday, with our celebration worship taking place on a Friday as always. We will also have class worship on a Tuesday and a Thursday. During this time the children will have time to gather together, we are very excited that we can now join in the hall as a whole school. The children will learn about the Christian values, enjoy songs of worship, pray and have time to reflect. Celebration worships take place every Friday, where some children will be awarded with certificates. Invited parents are welcome to join us in school at 2.45pm!

Homework ideas

Please see below a range of ideas for you to support the children with their learning quest work at home:

Follow the link below to Tate Kids, where you will find lots of fun and interesting information and activities to support the children as they begin to learn about different artists and art forms.

<https://www.tate.org.uk/kids>

Save some empty spray bottles and get spraying!

Google: Henri Matisse and Andy Warhol - what do you think of their work? Which Artist do you like the best? Can you have a go at producing a piece of art in a similar style?

Practice drawing with lots of different tools, pencils, chalks, pastels, charcoal.

Create a picture by printing with paint - you could print with vegetables, Lego pieces or something else entirely!