

YEAR 2 NEWS

Campsbourne School Termly Newsletter

Autumn 2 - 2017

Welcome to Autumn Term 2

Year 2, welcome back to Campsbourne!

We hope you had a relaxing half term and that your children are all ready for a half term full of fun and challenge!

Adults working in Year 2

Class Teachers

Seurat - Miss Natasha Ferguson

O'Keeffe - Mrs Jenny Vincent

Support Staff

Fumi Pedro and Debbie Hembra

Visitors

During Anti-bullying week the children will be watching a travelling roadshow called the Power of One.

There will be a visiting pantomime in the run up to Christmas for Key Stage 1.

English

In writing this half term we will be focusing on non-fiction writing, in particular looking at instruction texts. We will be orally retelling instructions, creating our own versions of the given text, as well as planning and writing our own set of instructions. The children will focus on using the correct punctuation in their writing, as well as using time conjunctions and adverbs in their instructions.



Maths

This half term we will be working on:

- Measuring, comparing and ordering length (in m and cm).
- Interpreting and creating simple pictograms, tally charts, block diagrams and tables.
- Learning the 2, 5 and 10 multiplication tables and using these to solve problems.

PHSE

Our **PSHE** focus this half term is 'Myself and My Relationships: Family and Friends.'

The children will be:

- describing what a friend is
- developing strategies for making and keeping friends
- discussing why families are special
- understanding that there are different types of families

Anti-bullying week is the week commencing 13th November and this year's theme is 'All Different, All Equal'.

Computing

In **computing**, the children will be exploring how simple computer games work. They will make predictions of what a program will do and test these predictions.



Forest Schools

Forest Schools is outdoor learning, outdoor play, environmental education, personal and social development, exploration, adventure education and more all rolled into one.

During the 2 hour Forest School sessions over the 6 week period we will give the children opportunities to develop self learning through natural play and positive outdoor experiences. We will do seasonal games and activities to help children learn about tree and plant life and how to protect them. We will do shelter building, tree climbing, safe use of tools, woodland crafts and more. Our final session will be based on school site doing fire lighting and learning about fire safety and camp fire cooking. All of this will have been risk assessed and facilitated by an experienced practitioner.

Please note: Seurat's sessions take place on Tuesdays and O'Keeffe's on Thursdays. Remember that your child will need a warm waterproof coat and welly boots on these days.

PE

The children will be continuing to work on their ABC's (agility, balance, coordination and speed). They will identify and demonstrate the use of good technique whilst throwing, catching, striking and controlling a variety of equipment, statically and whilst



Science

In **science** we are continuing our topic 'Changing Materials'. The children will be continue to explore and investigate the properties of materials through practical and hands on experiences. They will be learning about floating and sinking and how some materials can be changed by stretching, bending or applying heat.

Design & Technology

Your child will be designing and making a glove puppet.

They will develop the skills of marking out, cutting and finishing textiles.

Art

We are continuing to look at 3D sculptures and will be creating our own work in the style of the sculptors Michelle Reader, Barbara Hepworth and Brendan Jamison.

