

Sycamore Class



Autumn 1

Welcome to Sycamore Class! I am looking forward to getting to know you all a little better in the next few weeks. My name is Mr. Booth. Mrs. Humphries and Miss Hole are our classroom assistants.

We have a very exciting term ahead of us. If you need to speak to me at any point, please feel free to book an appointment through the office.

Home Learning

Thank you for helping your child complete their homework over the holidays. I look forward to hearing about your adventures.

In addition to weekly homework which will be starting next week, children are expected to read at home every night and practice Times tables and spellings.

As with last year, we are excited to use Google Classroom to share the homework. Homework will be uploaded on Google Classroom every Friday along with the spellings your child needs to learn for the following week. Please make sure that the homework is submitted by Wednesday.

We also ask that you spend 10 minutes each evening reading with your child either using the books provided by school or one from home or the library.

Thank you for your support!

Dates:

Dates for you diary:

2nd September: INSET

3rd September: Children back to school

25th-30th October: Half term

18th December: Last day of Autumn Term

Meet the Teacher

On Friday 3rd September at 3.00pm, we will be opening our doors to parents for you to all come in and meet Miss Hole, Mrs Humphries and myself. Feel free during this time to come in with any questions you may have.

Our topic this half term is based on Mount Everest. Please encourage your children to talk about mountain ranges at home, giving them the opportunity to overlearn what they have been studying. We will also be discussing the positive side of lockdown in the first few weeks.

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English

In English we will be reading the book-*Everest, The Contest*, exploring non-fiction writing and writing our own recounts of adventures. We will be looking at the differences between fiction and non-fiction books and developing inferential and deductive reading skills.



In P.E. we will be looking at how exercise affects our bodies. We will be doing gymnastics, working in a team, as well as practising a variety of individual routines.

Computing

We will be looking at e-safety and how to stay safe online and developing digital presentation skills.



Mathematics

In Maths we will be looking at:

- Number
- Place Value
- The four operations
- Problem solving
- Explaining and reasoning

We will also be learning our tables up to 12x12.



Science

In science we will be exploring the water cycle, observing materials and identifying the part played by evaporation and condensation.

DT

We will be designing our own sleeping bag using a variety of sewing skills. **Please ensure that your child can thread their own needle**

History

In history we will be travelling back in time to discover the History of Everest, exploring when it was climbed and who has climbed it and why.

In R.E. will be learning about creation in Christianity, the story of Adam and Eve the relevance of Good and Evil in the Bible.