

Teals Newsletter Spring Term 1



HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Topic- Toys

Dear Parents, we hope you had a fantastic Christmas and that this New year is a prosperous one. We would just like to thank you all for the lovely gifts we received. We are very grateful. Our topic this term is Toys. We will be learning about new, modern toys and old toys that children used to play with. If you have or know someone who has any Old toys from the past we would love to share. The children will be making comparisons of toys today and toys from Victorian times. This term we shall be getting a student teacher called Miss Fairbank, so you may see a new face in Teals.

Thank you for your support. Mrs Green, Mrs Corrigan, Mrs O Brian and Mrs Mason.

R.E We are looking at Stories about Jesus. We will be learning that Jesus is special and why. We are looking at the Christian values of Friendship and compassion. We will then learn about the events of Easter.

Art- We will be learning to weave with wool like the German artist Gunta Stolzl.

D.T We will be learning to make a moving toy and a thaumatrope.

English- We will be learning about the story of Pinocchio.

We will be making Marionette puppets and learning to make our sentences more powerful using superlative endings using er and synonyms for bored. We will also be adding time adverbs, repetition for effect and applying questions and question marks to our sentences for dialogue.

We also be using verbs, nouns, adjectives and similes.

Reading- It is vital that your child reads 3x a week in order to make good progress.

Homework-Please can I remind parents to sign and date the front sheet in the homework books to indicate that your child has completed their homework.

Maths- We will be looking at finding the differences between two numbers, comparing statements and learning about 3D and 2D shapes through reasoning and problem solving. Place value within 50 and beyond.

Toys from the past- History.

We will be learning about old and new toys. We will be looking at different sources to help us find out about the past. The children will learn to use and apply words relating to the passing of time. Our role play area is a Toy shop where the children can distinguish the similarities and differences between old and new toys. **If any parents/grandparents have any old toys we would love to learn about them.**

P.E Please remember to bring P.E kits back into school for Tuesday and Thursday. Thank you.

Science- Materials and their properties. We will be naming and investigating different materials and using words like opaque and transparent. We will be doing an experiment to see which material is the best waterproof using our scientific knowledge and vocabulary.

KEY DATES:

8th-22nd February Half term