



Swallows

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Dear Parents

We have really enjoyed getting to know the Swallows over the past two weeks and it has been great to see them have such a positive attitude towards their learning. We are moving on to our next Theme topic next week which is 'Treasure.' The most important thing to remember is that we would like to start this topic **on Monday with a Pirate day in Year 3** so please can your child come to school for the day dressed as a pirate - the teachers will of course be dressing up too!



Our new
Theme is...
Treasure!!

Don't forget our Harvest
Assembly on Friday 30th
September in the Hall at 9am –
it will be great!



Now, some vital information for you:

- PE lessons this half-term are **Fridays** and **Wednesdays** - on **Wednesdays** we have a specialist coach teaching tag rugby which the children are really enjoying.
 - Reading books are changed by the children - doing this as they first come in is a great time.
 - Homework will come home in their Homework Book on Mondays and must be in by Friday - don't forget Homework club is available after school on Thursdays, the children can just drop in.
 - Spellings will be given on Friday to be learnt by the following Friday.
- Good attendance is VITAL; children should be ready to start school at 8.50am. Please make sure your child goes to bed on time and has enough sleep so that they are alert and ready to learn in school.

All children will have Literacy and Numeracy targets to aim for. Literacy targets are in their books and they constantly use them in class. The Numeracy targets are below.

We are really looking forward to starting our new topic on Monday

"Treasure".

During this unit we will be learning about Geography, Art, Technology, ICT and International issues. We will also learn about different religious leaders in RE and are currently learning songs for our Harvest Assembly in Music. In Science Mrs. Livingstone will continue the topic of 'Healthy eating and teeth.'

In Geography we'll be finding out about

- A range of places where 'treasure' has been found and how excavation has affected these places.
- Using maps and plans to ask and answer questions.

In Art we'll be

- Exploring the art of Henry Moore.
- Using a variety of materials to make our own artwork.
- Commenting on artists' work.

In Music we'll be

- Learning and performing harvest songs.
- Learning about a range of instruments.
- Experimenting with rhythm.

In RE we will be learning

- Some elements of harvest celebrations.
- About different religious leaders.

In History we'll be discovering

- About the life and discoveries of Howard Carter who found the tomb of Tutankhamen.

In Technology we'll be learning about

- Planning and designing their own treasured object.
- Using simple tools and techniques.

In ICT we'll be learning

- To be aware that devices are programmed using instructions.
- To use and create simple sequences of instructions.
- About how to make predictions and explain their choices.

In PSHE we will be continuing to learn about 'New Beginnings'

It was lovely to chat to some of you at our 'Meet the Teacher' afternoon - if you have any concerns or questions please don't hesitate to ask.

Many thanks,

Cate Cooper