

Fir Bank Primary School



Curriculum Overview

Blue Class

Spring 2017

Our topic is:

Get out of my swamp!



What will we be learning this term

English

Lists, descriptions and letter writing

Children will:

- Learn that people write for a variety of purposes including lists, descriptions and letters.
- Learn about why people write letters.
- Learn to write a letter using simple features.

Narrative Fairy/Traditional Tales

Children will learn:

- To effectively retell a familiar tale.
- To consider how there are different versions of the same story.
- To write a story based on the structure of a well-known tale.

RE

Spring 1 - Was it always easy for Jesus to show friendship? We are learning to identify when it is easy and difficult to show friendship and to explore when Jesus may have found it difficult.

Spring 2 - Why was Jesus welcomed like a king or celebrity by the crowds on Palm Sunday? We are learning that Jesus is special to Christians and how His welcome on Palm Sunday shows this.

Maths



Children will learn:

- To represent and use number bonds and related subtraction facts to 20.
- To recognize and know the value of coins and notes.
- To count in tens and twos and identify ten/two more/less.
- To solve one-step multiplication and division problems.
- To measure and begin to record height, length, mass and capacity.

ICT-E safety

Children will learn what communication tools are, how to communicate correctly with peers and what to do if they find anything they are worried about.



Science

Spring 1 - Materials We are learning to identify and name everyday materials, explore their properties and sort them. We will also be doing a simple investigation to find which material would be suitable for Teddy's umbrella.

Spring 2 - Plants We are learning about the structure of plants and trees and what they need to grow well. We will plant a bean and observe it closely as it grows by measuring and recording its growth.

Art and DT

This half term children will:

- Use a variety of materials to create a swamp collage.
- Look at the artist Andy Goldsworthy and make a sculptures based on his work.



History and Geography

Children will learn about:

- Geographical language to refer to physical features e.g. forest, hill.
- Locational language e.g. near, far.
- Language relating to the passing of time e.g. past, present.

PSHE

Our themes are:

- Freedom
- Right and wrong
- E-Safety
- Responsibility
- Respect

Music

Spring 1 - In The Groove This is an easy to learn song that demonstrates different styles of music.

Spring 2 - Rhythm In The Way We Walk and Banana Rap Rhythm In The Way We Walk is a Reggae style song and Banana Rap is a Hip Hop style song.

Fir Bank primary school is a school where everybody matters

Success is:

- **Safe and Secure** develops an **Open mind**
- **Is Motivated and Smiles**

Homework

Each week your child will be set a piece of Homework.

This shall be sent home on a Friday and the hand-in date will be on the following Friday.

Please attempt to hear your child read as often as possible to help them progress in this area of their learning.

PE

Your child will be expected to participate in two PE sessions per week. Could you please ensure that they have the correct kit in school all week as sessions may change due to hall demands, weather etc.

In the very unlikely circumstance that your child is unable to take part in their PE lesson, then a written note is required

which should be given to your child's class teacher.



Contact Details

Should you have a query, or need to contact school, please use the details below.

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The primary points of contact for Fir Bank Primary School are Mrs Millar and Mrs Bunting.