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Curriculum Information

Our ‘Big Question’ this term is entitled **‘Where Shall We Go?’** and this will be explored through the themes of beauty, integration and opportunity. Our science topics will explore Earth, space and light. Before half-term, our learning journey will see us head into deepest space. We will be using the text ‘Cosmic’ by Frank Cottrell Boyce for our reading and to inspire our writing. Following the half-term holiday, we will read ‘Wonder’ by R.J. Palacio – a book that explores fundamental truths about how humans behave and how they should behave.

In DT we will continue with our weekly cooking lessons as well as building and launching different kinds of rockets. After half-term we will be focusing upon using technology, including BBC Microbits to concentrate on coding and data logging to bring together our learning in computing, science and mathematics. In art we will study the ‘Pop Art’ movement, but also the work of Van Gogh by developing our painting skills by using the ‘hatching’ technique. Our Music learning will explore Holst’s ‘The Planets’ as the children practise rehearse and perform with awareness to their audience. In RE the children will be learning about the Christian idea of the ‘Trinity’ and how the ‘Triple Refuge’ help Buddhists. Our PE lessons (Wednesday), led by Callum, will concentrate on athletics and striking and fielding games. Additionally, we have 7 swimming sessions at Oundle pool to look forward to and enjoy. We will be completing a local study for our history focus and in geography we will explore the idea of trade and transportation around the globe. Also, this term, the PSHE units on sex and relationship education will commence.

Homework will continue to be handed out on a Friday and will be expected to be completed by the following Thursday. I know it is sometimes hard, but children should be reading as much as possible out of school. We have a wide range of texts in class for the children to borrow, and I often tell the children – the more you read, the better reader you become. I want ALL children to develop a love of reading as well as improve their fluency and comprehension.

As you well know, we also have the small matter of SATs on the horizon. However, once they are all done and dusted, we will have Bikeability, our summer production and the end-of-term leavers’ trip to look forward to.

Finally, the children will be enjoying their transition days at their respective secondary schools ready for September.

If you have any questions, worries or concerns do not hesitate to contact me at ashaw@elton.cambs.sch.uk

Thank you for your continued support.

Mr Shaw

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