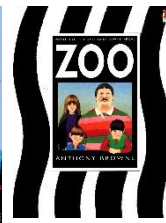
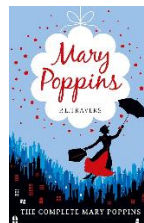


Elm Class Curriculum Update

Summer 2023/24



CLARE COMMUNITY
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Literacy:

This term, our class texts will be 'Mary Poppins' by P. L. Travers and 'Zoo' by Anthony Browne. The children will be writing diary entries, shape poems, short stories, and a letter of complaint. We will study the texts in depth, looking at the characters and themes in the stories, and develop children's comprehension skills through careful questioning. Children should be reading regularly at home. Please continue to support your child by reading to them and listening to them read at home. This really does play an integral role in their learning and comprehension skills. I also advise that children use the Bedrock Vocabulary App at least twice a week for consistent improvement.

We will continue to refine our joined handwriting, as this is an expectation for Year 3, whilst also working on their speed and accuracy. Using our whole-school scheme: Letterjoin, we will focus on specific patterns, letters, joins and week. A weekly overview will be shared with parents so as to support your child's learning at home.

The children will be tested on their spellings, and learn and practice the upcoming week's spellings, on a Monday. Half-termly overviews will be produced and stuck in homework books. Handwriting and spelling overviews can be found on the school website.

<https://www.clareprimary.org/curriculum/classes/elm>

Numeracy:

During the Summer Term, we will be covering fractions, money, shape, statistics and time. We will also be revisiting arithmetic methods for the four operations to consolidate the children's learning and in preparation for Year 4!

Children will regularly practice their xtables in school; however, children should also be using TTRS to help them learn their times tables and are encouraged to continue this practise at home at least twice a week.

Children can also use the homework grid for ideas to support our learning on time, money and shape.

History and Geography:

In History, children will learn about their local area of Clare and the importance of 'listed' buildings.

After half term, children will learn about the coasts of the British Isles in their topic 'Coasts' in Geography.

P.E.:

P.E. days are Wednesday and Friday so please ensure the children have their P.E. kits for these days. Please also make sure your child has a water bottle and clean kit (for all weather) each session. There is limited spare kit available.

During the first half term, children will learn about invasion games, focussing on football and rugby on Wednesdays; in addition to having dance tuition on Fridays.

The second half term will see children prepare for sports day with athletics as well as playing cricket and rounders.

Science:

Year 3 will continue their work on reducing food waste before moving on to study plants and biodiversity, forces and magnets throughout the Summer Term.

Art:

In Art, the children will be exploring various skills and mediums. This will include sketching, oil pastels, water colours and collage. They will be researching the artist Guisepe Archimboldo and will produce a collage in his style.

Computing:

The children will continue to use micro:bit software and hardware, using programming and computing skills to create code.

French:

In the Summer Term, Year 3 children will cover the topics 'Les quatre amis' and 'Ça pousse!'

Religious Education:

In RE, Year 3 will study the faiths Christianity and Judaism, discussing the 'Kingdom of God' in Christianity and looking at the symbols and stories of Judaism.

PSHE:

This term we will be focusing on 'Relationships' during the first half term, looking at the roles and responsibilities of family members and reflect on the expectations for males and females. The children will also look at what makes a good friend and how to show their appreciation to friends and family. After half term, children will study the topic 'Changing Me'.

Music:

This term, children will explore, select and combine sounds as a group, and rehearse and refine compositions for a final performance using a variety of instruments.

Homework:

Children are expected to complete a Maths or English task each week. They will also have an additional selection of 'Homework tasks' that they can complete, as and when, from their 'Homework Grid'. Homework will be given out on a Thursday. Children can return completed homework at any point in the week. A register will be taken to note those who are completing homework regularly so as to be rewarded and celebrated in assemblies.