Rye Class Curriculum Letter Spring Term 2023

Dear Parents,

I hope you have all enjoyed an Easter break. The children have been telling us about lots of exciting things they have been doing over the holidays, which has been lovely to hear. We have a very busy term ahead and the children and staff are particularly looking forward to our residential to Bewerley Park. Before half-term be holding auditions and revealing our end of year production! Outlined below is a summary of the areas of learning that Rye Class will be covering this term.

Our topic for this term is ‘Gallery Rebels’ which has an art focus. During this topic, we will research important artwork of the 19th and 20th centuries, choosing a favourite piece of art to describe in more detail. We’ll use maps to locate art galleries around the world and create our own artwork inspired by our findings.

In Literacy, we will be continuing with our class novel ‘Holes’ which the children are really enjoying and completing activities based on the book. We will also complete writing linked to our ‘Gallery Rebels’ topic including short narratives, expressionist poetry, surrealist narratives and explanations. We will be continuing to send home spelling, reading and homework as normal.

In Maths, the children will be focusing on statistics, geometry and measure. All children in class are set Mathletics activities to do at home whenever possible which covers the whole maths curriculum and really improves their mathematical knowledge. If you could encourage them to do these at home it would be very much appreciated and really beneficial.

The children are again really looking forward to Science lessons with Mrs Huntriss. They will be continuing with their Earth and space topic and then moving on to look at the life cycles of mammals, amphibians, insects and birds. They will also look at the life process of reproduction in some plants and animals and classify them into broad groups based on their similarities and differences.

In Computing we will continue to work Purple Mash and the children will be learning how to create their own simple games and will complete a unit on 3D modelling. Throughout computing lessons, there will be a continued emphasis on internet safety. This is a particularly important issue and we intend to continue to remind the children how they can help keep themselves safe online.

In French our first topic will be called 'À L’École' where the children will learn how to discuss what subjects they like and dislike at school. In the second half term our topic ‘will be 'Les Verbes Reguliers' where children will learn how to conjugate -er verbs in French depending on the pronoun being used. In RE our topic asks if it better to express your religion in arts and architecture or in charity and generosity?

Both Mr Cairns and I will be providing P.E. lessons again this term. We will be helping the children improve their skills in rounders, tennis, cricket and athletics. P.E. will continue to be on Wednesday and Friday afternoons; your child will need suitable clothing and shoes for outdoor activities.

I am happy to help at any time so please let me know if you do have any questions.

Kind regards

Mr Dan Walker