

English

This term in English, our class texts will be based on the works of William Shakespeare. Our class reader is Shakespeare, his Dramatic Acts and The Boy and the Globe. Children will explore poetry, based on Macbeth and playscripts, inspired by Romeo and Juliet.

Maths

This term in Maths we will continue to follow the White Rose Scheme of Learning. We will be continuing to work on fractions and then move onto decimals and percentages. Times Tables will remain to be a focus and support from home to learn these is appreciated. Wherever possible, we will relate this to our topic of Shakespeare.

Welcome to Term 4 in Ash Class!

We hope that you have had a wonderful half-term break albeit windy! We are excited to move into the Spring term 2, learning about William Shakespeare. Our school values of courage, perseverance and respect will maintain at the core of our learning and behaviour expectations. We appreciate your support in extending our values into our community. We start our term with World Book week, where we have full timetable of curriculum rich activities. I am hoping that our drama skills will be tested when we create a performance inspired by William Shakespeare. Details to come.

Contact

If you wish to talk about your child at any point this year, please approach me as soon as possible. Please contact me via email addresses: nsibley3241@st-michaels-pri.oxon.sch.uk

I will endeavour to respond to any emails as quickly as possible, however if you have any urgent issues or concerns, please contact the school office so they can let us know as soon as possible. I am always available by the classroom entrance in the mornings and after school to arrange a time also.

Homework and spellings

Please see separate homework grid. Any successful homework completion, will gain Dojo points for their House team.

Humanities

In Art, they will experiment in using line, tone, shape and experiment using different medias. Children will be mixing modern with traditional, by designing and creating their own DVD cover, creating their own Shakespeare pop art and Pablo Picasso style portraits. In RE, the children will be evaluating the Easter story and questioning whether God had intended for Jesus to be crucified.

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Uniform, PE and kit

Children should come to school in named uniform with school shoes, not trainers. They should bring a named water bottle every day. They can also bring in a pencil case with stationery to use and to keep in their trays, if they wish. Ash class will have PE on Tuesdays; Year 5s will continue their swimming lessons on Friday mornings. (Please see letter sent home for details). Please ensure your child has their **named** PE kit in school. Children will get changed at school for PE each session. Alongside playtime, the children will be completing a run, walk or jog for 1 mile every day on the field. With the field being very muddy, we ask that children have trainers and jogging bottoms to change into. The cloakroom area is small, so please keep to a minimum any extra items being brought in. Children should not bring in toys/fidget toys from home.

STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Maths)

In Science, we will be looking at properties and changes in materials. We will as a school also, be celebrating British Science week. This will include visits from experts and practical experiments inside and outside the classroom.