

**Swan Class
Information
for parents
Term 1
2023/24**



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Experiences/visits/visitors

Voices in the Wilderness workshop.

Regular events: **Monday:** P.E.
Thursday: PE Enrichment -Ifield Woods
Friday: Options and Food Technology

General Information

Welcome to Swan Class!
We have been settling in well to our new class with our peers and adults. We have been exploring our new work environments and resources. Learning to Learn week is for the first week. We will then be moving onto our normal timetable which has been sent home for your information.

Homework and Contact

Thank you for using the Home/School Journals. The comments we receive are really helpful and highlight how a pupil may require extra support during the day. Please do let us know if you have any concerns.
Please read/ share a book with your child every night.
Please ensure that your child has the appropriate named clothing for activities we are carrying out, such as: PE kit/wellies/ coats and jumpers.

Functional English

This term students will be exploring a range of non-fiction and fiction texts including job descriptions, job adverts, letters, recipes, performance poetry and stories.

Students will continue to develop their writing skills by identifying the features of different genre and learning how to edit and improve their writing.

Students will take part in guided reading sessions where they will have the opportunity to discuss texts and develop their comprehension skills.

As part of our English curriculum pupils will develop their confidence in speaking to others about their interests and learning.

Functional Maths:

Students will be learning about place value and how to count and order numbers. They will develop their understanding of addition and subtraction and learn how to use manipulatives to support their understanding.

Students will also learn about the properties of 2-d and 3-d shape.

Digital Skills:

Students will be identifying how they can stay safe online. They will consider what is public and what is private information that they should not be sharing. They will look at how viruses can affect their personal information. They will also look at how emails may be used.



Self-Care and Independence:

This term students will be identifying how they can look after their personal hygiene. They will have the opportunity to demonstrate how they can and look at different products that could help them. They will also be identifying how they can look after their clothing.

Food Technology:

In Food Technology the students will be finding out about hygiene and safety in the kitchen. They will learn how to store food correctly and prepare food using equipment safely.



Employability:

Students will be introduced to 'My Employability Passport'. They will develop an understanding of what is involved with the course and begin to talk about their aspirations for their first job and think about what their dream job could be and how they can achieve it.

Personal and Social Development:

Students will be thinking about what 'citizenship' is. They will begin by focussing on what British Values are. They will then look at how you can have a debate whilst also thinking about the views of others. Students will be debating different issues and providing their reasoning.

Physical Education:

Students will have PE every **Monday morning**.

This term we will be focussing on Team Games.



Religious Education:

In R.E. Students will be finding out why festivals are important to religious communities. They will look at the similarities and differences between festivals and the way they are celebrated.



Sports Enrichment

PE Enrichment will be every Thursday afternoon. This term students will be attending Forest School at Ifield Woods.

Students will have the opportunity to explore the outside environment and take part in a range of physical activities.

What do adults do all day?