



Birch Newsletter

Spring Term 2 2023-24

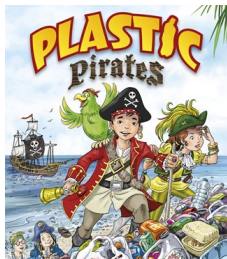
Upcoming Diary Dates:

World Book Day -
Thu 7th March

Red Nose Day -
Fri 15th March

Cromer Pier Show
Plastic

Pirates -
Wed 20th
March



General Class News:

Welcome back Birch class. Mr Smith's return date has unfortunately be postponed but we are please to have Mr Ringer working with us again.

Its full steam ahead for World Book day, Cross Country, Red Nose Day and of course the Plastic Pirates show, so many things for pupils to get involved in.

It's a very short term with the Easter Holidays beginning on Thursday 28th March.

Maths

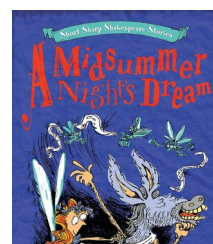
Birch class will carry on doing addition and subtraction but this term they will focus on learning everything about shapes. All pupils have a Prodigy account set to practice Maths. Activities are set Individually, depending on each one's gaps. Passwords will go home in their school books. See the link below.

<https://www.prodigygame.com/main-en/>



English

This term, the theme is "Tell us a story" and the topic is "Extracts from Shakespeare". The book we are going to focus on is "A Midsummer night's Dream" they are going to focus on what happens to the lover or the fairies or the royal household.



RSHE

We will carry on learning how to manage online information but this term Birch class will focus on Puberty. We will explore some of the different stages of change as people progress from birth to adulthood. They will also know the changes that happen to males and females bodies during puberty.

Science

This half term we will be covering sound and light. The students will investigate the similarities between light and sound and then learn how we see and hear. We will carry out various practical experiments covering these topics including investigating how light and sound travel through various objects.

PE

Birch class will be moving onto learning the basic shots in Badminton and Tennis with the main challenge being able to rally in your pair. They will also be trying some Gymnastics by learning different types of shapes and using a range of apparatus in the gym.



Outdoor learning

This term in outdoor learning we are going to focus on the what is the weather and they are also going to do seasonal gardening activities.

Topic

Birch pupils designed their own huts and really enjoyed this project. They got their inspiration from the Ndebele people, of Africa, which we are learning about. The Ndebele people discovered their art form of colour. Women in the society painted their homes with patterns and colours as a secret way to communicate grief and cultural resistance under the domination of Boer farmers. They liked to decorate their houses with sharp bold bright colours in a geometric pattern.



Other useful information

Fun times table & money practice <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>
<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/7-11-years/money>