



THORNHILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

Tigers Class Learning Diary

Week beginning: 6th May 2019

Literacy

This week the children will be looking at adventure story writing over the two weeks. The children will be focusing on the book "Escape from Pompeii" which is linked to our topic. We children will also be developing the skill of improving their sentence building with bump it up techniques. The children will plan their writing using story maps and box up methods. The children will be focusing on the beginning of the story and how they develop their writing when describing the setting and introducing their characters. We will also be looking at how to develop an atmosphere and the build up to the dilemma.

Maths

During this week in maths the children are learning about time. We will be focusing on this topic over a course of three weeks. We will be looking at the different styles of clocks, reading the time using an analogue clock as well as a digital clock. We will recap when we remember from Year 2 and discuss the difference between am and pm.

The children will do daily times tables tests for 2,3,4,5,6,7,8,10,11 and 12. It is very important that children are practicing their times tables at home as it is a big part of their maths work in class.

This week's times table focus is 10 times and divide times tables.

To develop your child's times-tables, there are many different websites they can play on. Topmarks is a very good website and can also broaden their understanding of maths. Also use the website Mathsframe to test their timestables on the multiplication check.

Topic

Our topic this term is earthquakes and volcanoes. The children will link topic into their English, Art, DT, Geography, History and ICT.

In History we are looking at the history of Luton. This week we are researching and discussing the impact of the railway in Luton. We will then use our learning to write a persuasive letter to Mr Sainsbury in regards of the lovely countryside being destroyed with the railway.

P.E

This half term the children will focus on ball skills while cricket lessons with our Rising Star coach. Assessment information will be passed on to us.

In our Thursday session, we will be taking part in athletics and developing our skills.

Information

All children must read at home at least three times a week with an adult. The adult must also date, comment and sign the child's record book. Don't forget to ask your child questions about the book which also develops their understanding of the text further.

Every Thursday the children will bring home a library book and an activity book. This book **MUST** be returned the following Thursday to allow the children to change them.

Happy reading!

Homework

Homework will be handed out on a **Wednesday** afternoon to be completed and returned no later than **Monday**.