



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back for the last half term and the final push before the summer. This half term we will be investigating 'What's inside a painting?' The children are very excited to be doing an art topic and are keen to get practical. If you have any questions, concerns or would like ideas of how to support your child at home then please do come and see me.

Miss McCourt

Topic



Our learning challenge question for this term is: "What's inside a painting?" We will begin finding out about Andy Warhol and how he influenced art with his modern take. They will recreate some of his famous pieces and then later use them to inspire our own pop art. Next, the children will learn about Cassius Marcellus Coolidge and his use of digital media. They will find out about his life and the influence he had on modern art.

As well as this, the children will find out about Humanism, what it means to be human and will reflect on this. They will study their beliefs and values and draw comparisons to their own.

Maths

This half term we will be looking at: revision of methods for addition, subtraction and multiplication, ordering numbers and decimals, dividing (including decimals) and adding and subtracting fractions and finding equivalent fractions. All the children are continuing to learn their times tables and should be practicing these at home.



We are continuing to teach the new National Curriculum; therefore, you may find that there are some changes in the methods taught in maths and the expectations of knowledge. Please feel free to come and discuss these methods with me.

Science

The science topic for this term is forces, magnets and sound. The children will investigate how forces act upon an object and how magnets attract and repel objects. They will investigate using everyday objects and testing them with magnets to see whether they are magnetic or not and draw conclusions based on their investigation. The children will identify how sounds are made and find patterns between the pitch of a sound and features of the object that produced it, as well as, find patterns between the volume of a sound and the strength of the vibrations that produced it



English

In English this term the children are using videos from The Literacy Shed to carry out some descriptive writing. They have begun by watching 'The Lighthouse' and are starting to write character descriptions using the 'show not tell'. They have also been introduced to DADWAVERS which is an acronym to support their creative writing.

The children will also study poetry and will write some of their own to build a poe-tree!

Look out for videos and pictures showing the methods used in maths on the "Helping your child at home" section of the website.

PE



This term the Panthers have PE on **Monday and Tuesday**.

Please make sure your child has their full PE kit in school on these days.

If your child is unable to take part in either of these activities they must bring in a letter to explain this.

School Website

Please check our school website regularly to find out what the Panthers have been learning in class. I update our class page regularly with photos.

<http://www.kenninghallprimaryschool.com/>

Class cover

Monday PM: Mrs Halmshaw - singing and Mr Kelly - French

Tuesday PM: Mrs Billingham - PE

Thursday PM: Norfolk Music Service - Music - pBone lessons



Homework

Spelling homework will be given out on Mondays in the big blue book and should be practised for a test on the following Monday. Big blue spelling books **must** be in school **every Monday** so the children can complete a spelling test, collect their new spelling list and show you the result of their hard work.

Maths homework will be given every Friday and should be completed by the following **Thursday**. This can be found on Mathletics which is accessible online. Each child has their own log in and tasks will be set for them to complete which will support their learning in school. If your child has misplaced their log in details please see Mr Denny as he will be able to issue you with a replacement.

For the last two weeks of each half term, children will receive a **learning log** homework linked to the topic.

Reading Records

Please ensure that reading records are brought into school **every day** so that I can move children up on their reading challenge board. We have guided reading on a **Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday** and they will need their reading records on these days especially.

Library

Panthers visit the library on **Wednesday** afternoons. Please make sure they have their reading books in school on that day to return/exchange.

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