

Welcome Back

Welcome back to a new year at Cottingham. This year we have decided to change our formatting for letting parents know about both the curriculum and other news in class so we hope you like it and find the information useful! In the termly overview, you will see details of what will be happening in every subject and you can use this to support what you are doing at home.

As you can imagine, we are very excited to have all of the children back to school after what has been a very long and unusual time for so many of them. In Ash, along with all of the classes, we are going to do everything we can to ease their transition back to school and to try to ensure that any learning that has been missed will be identified and caught up on. This may mean that some of the subjects that are mentioned on the overview will not be starting for a short time whilst we spend time on catch up.

In the meantime, if you have any questions or worries please don't hesitate to contact me either at school or through email. I hope that the children have a really positive start to this new school year and that we can get back normal as soon as possible!



Class: Ash

Term: 1



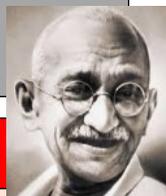
Homework

This year in Ash class, maths homework will continue to set via MyMaths every Friday, to be completed by the following Friday. Year 2 children can also practice their Times Tables on Times Tables Rockstars. Daily reading is also part of your child's homework. If you can, please pop a note in your child's reading record to show what you have read at home. Termly spellings will be sent home shortly. These are organized into weeks however please review these frequently.



Quest: How does your garden grow?

In this quest, the children will be learning about the structure of flowering plants and how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants. We will be learning the names of wild flowers by observing what we can see in the local environment. By the end of our quest we aim to create our own Ash Class Garden Centre complete with our own grown plants.



Significant person

This year we have decided to introduce to our curriculum a significant person. This is a person who has had a strong impact on our way of life or culture and that we think would be important for the children to know about. For our first person this year, we have chosen political ethicist, Mahatma Gandhi, thinking about how he used peaceful resistance to bring about freedom and civil rights across the world. Please find out about him with the children at home. We will also discuss him at school and ask the children to present information about him to class.

PE days

This term, PE in Ash will take place on a Monday and Tuesday for Year 1 pupils and on a Tuesday and Friday for our Year 2 pupils. Children will need to come to school in their PE kit on these days. We are trying to ensure that the majority of PE sessions will be taking place outside for the time being.



Collective Worship

Collective worship will take place this year on a Tuesday and a Wednesday, with our celebration worship taking place on a Friday as always. We will also have class worship on a Monday and a Thursday. Due to restrictions that are in place this year, for the time being, we will not be able to gather together to take part in worship however we will be leading worship remotely, so that all classes can take part. Please click on the following document to see details of themes for this term. http://www.cottinghamprimary.co.uk/Content/documents/ChristianValues/collective_worship_planner_aut_2020_21_.pdf

Homework ideas

Please see below a range of ideas for you to support the children with their learning quest work at home:

- Help to do some weeding in the garden. What do you notice about the weeds?
- Visit a garden centre
- Use meal times to talk about which foods have grown in the ground or on trees?
- Plant some seeds. Help to take care of them so that they grow.
- Sketch and paint garden or wild flowers
- Press some flowers and create a collage
- Read some of these books:

The Flower(John Light),

A Seed in Need(Sam Godwin),

Bloom(Anne Booth), T

he Tiny Seed(Eric Carle)