

What are we planning for Skiddaw Class this Summer term 2018?

We are planning whole school focus on Reading this term, including an after school session on 30th April to support parents covering the importance of reading and how we teach it at school as well as tips and ideas to help at home. In **English** we will be reading the classic tale Iron Man by Ted Hughes and using this to inspire us to act, write and perform. We will then be exploring short animated films to stimulate our creativity. Phonics / spelling and grammar sessions are planned each day and we will continue with weekly guided reading sessions.

In **Maths**, we will focus on measuring this term. We will begin with length, perimeter and area followed by solving problems and investigations using money and time. We will then be getting to grips with statistics – understanding and creating a range of different graphs and charts, followed by exploring geometry and properties of shapes.

In **Science** we will complete our work on States of Matter looking at evaporation and condensation in the water cycle. We will then get stuck into a hands on exploration of Electricity – how to get bulbs, buzzers, propellers and switches all safely working in harmony as well as the role of conductors and insulators in circuits.

In **Computing** sessions we will continue use IDL which supports all aspects of literacy and typing. We will be exploring ways of sharing information and images in presentations.

Our **History** topic of Romans, Saxons and Vikings will keep us busy - researching, investigating and presenting our findings from books and the internet, our visit and real artefacts.

In **Music** we will sing as a whole school every week, learning a variety of rounds and action songs. We will be preparing a junior production to be performed in the last few weeks of term. Individual lessons in guitar, violin and piano will continue too.

In **French** this year we have already covered greetings, colours, numbers to 20, days of the week as well as pets and wild animals but we will continue with further counting to 31, parts of the body and months of the year.

Through **Art and Design** we will be planning, constructing and evaluating moving models using simple electric circuits. We will complete our exploration of how we can communicate things about ourselves "All about ME!".

Through our **PSHE** curriculum we will be covering a range of topics which will be taught by Mrs Farraday. First we will explore and challenge stereotypes, learn about democracy and how to debate. After half term we will be talking about Changes and Relationships.

In **RE** we will be exploring sacred books. We will be learning more stories of the Bible in our Open the Book assemblies on Monday mornings and exploring our Christian Value of Compassion.

PE will be on Thursday afternoons with Mrs Craggs and Wednesday mornings with Mrs Wadey. We will be working on team games of rounders, kwik cricket as well as athletics and some tennis sessions. Wednesday mornings will continue with a Tag Rugby focus for the first two weeks culminating in a mini festival on the morning of Friday 27th April at Kendal Rugby Club.

Personal, Social and Health Education (PSHE) and **Citizenship** are integrated into all areas of school life and form the basis of our whole approach to education, from assemblies and circle time to choices of stories and visitors. Our School Councillors and Eco Team Members will be working hard too.

Educational Visits: Ghyll scrambling with Dallam Outdoors is booked for 24th April. Our visit to Vindolanda is all planned for May 10th. This will be a long but exciting day, please be at school to leave at 8.15am and we are due to return around 4.30pm. We plan to take our learning into the woods this term too.

Mrs Wadey