

Chestnut Curriculum Overview 2016 Autumn



Reminders:

- Indoor PE on Wednesdays and swimming lessons on Thursday mornings – please ensure you have the correct kit and earrings have been removed or can be removed by your child.
- All items of clothing and water bottles need to be labelled!
- Friday is 'Show and Tell' and is always linked to our theme, please label any items the children bring in – sorry **no** toys.

This Terms Theme:

Me, myself and I

Some of our topics will include: 'homes', 'things I enjoy' and 'senses'. As you can imagine there is a busy and fun few weeks of learning ahead of us!

Ongar School Values

This term our values are **Peace** and **Responsibility**, the children will learn about this through stories and discussion. A display will be created in the classroom for the children to reflect on.

Literacy

The children will begin to learn phonics through the Read, Write, Inc. literacy scheme. Supporting materials will be sent home to reinforce what has been taught at school.

Reading books (some without words!) will be sent out once the children have learnt some of the phonetic alphabet.

Maths Development:

In maths the children will be sorting and ordering items into size.

We will be using the Numicon resource to order and count. The children will be drawing their family then counting and labelling how many members are in it.

Understanding the World:

We are going to look at photographs of ourselves from the past and see if we can notice any changes.

Mrs Mount will start cooking with groups of 6 children per week; to cover the cost a contribution of £2 per term would be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Technology:

The children will start using simple programs on the class laptop.

We will be playing simple phonic and number games on the iPads.

PSED:

We will celebrate the positive attributes of learners during 'Star Learner of the Week' (on Fridays).

During circle time we shall be talking about Ongar School Rules and Values.

In PE we will be practising the art of dressing and undressing as well as playing team games, taking turns and sharing.

Expressive Arts and Design:

The children will use and explore a variety of materials, tools and techniques, experimenting with colour, design, texture, form and function.

We will be creating homes using recycled materials and clay and as Christmas nears we will make props for our Nativity performance!

We shall be learning lots of new songs ready for the Harvest Assembly and Nativity– details to follow!

Physical Development:

Swimming sessions will continue.

Fine motor control is developed within threading, painting, modelling, play dough manipulation etc.

We will be having learning conversations about the importance of good health and a healthy diet, and talk about ways to keep healthy and safe.