

Comet curriculum news letter.

Welcome everyone back to school. We are really enjoying our new classroom in the Hub.

The Comet class are one whole class with two teaching areas and the children based in their own class spaces. In the morning we have work sessions on maths and then another on English. By splitting into the two teaching areas we have smaller groups for quieter dedicated work at the children's level in both these areas from their individual education plans. The children's work is being assessed currently and you will have copies of their new IEPs in October.

We also have SAQ (speed agility and quickness) sessions daily in the morning to help with children's coordination and help sensory processing issues.

We would ask parents to send in children's own snacks in a container daily and their own juice bottle. We will refill children's drinks with their own drink if you send a bottle of their juice in.

Our topic work.

For topic work we tend to come together as a class in the hub to work together.

This term we are starting with a **geography** topic in line with the main stream school looking at comparisons. We are focussing on hot and cold. We will be

looking at arctic animals and icebergs making our own ice glaciers and the effects of melting. In comparison we will look at volcanoes. We will look at features of a volcano and create our own and make our own volcano eruption.

This will last the first two weeks then our half term Topic will be **Our bodies and senses**.

Science We will be looking at inside and outside our bodies. Focussing on the skeleton, organs and their functions and our senses and how our senses work. We will also look at how to look after our bodies and different categories of food and healthy eating.

Maths We will be working daily on individual maths targets with children on an individual basis and in small groups. We will also focus on **shapes** both 3D and 2D shapes.

English Comet children will have dedicated english teaching working on individual targets in reading, writing and phonics and spelling on a daily basis.

We are also very excited about producing our own newspaper **Comet World**. Children will become reporters completing their own reports of activities we have done at school as well as, TV critics crosswords and other features about the newspaper world. Children will also learn through **ICT** how to record information, simple processes of how to investigate subjects create powerpoints and basic techy skills such as cut and paste. This paper will be produced on a monthly basis.

P.E. PE is on a Wednesday morning first thing. The class will be split into two groups. One session will be in the hall Focussing on **Basic movements and mat work** while in the class we will concentrate on **Fine motor skills and dexterity**.

Art This will be very much based and linked with our topic drawing skills promoted as well as opportunities for free painting at times allowing children to create their own paintings.

We are very excited with our new bikes and the children love them. We use them at morning playtime and lunchtime.

We work very hard in the day and the children earn their "special time" in the afternoon where the bikes are again on offer or other rewarding activities they can wish for of their choosing. At present due to COVID soft play is unavailable.

Could I ask for the children to send in

Wellies

PE not needed until after October break.

Hand towels

We are hoping to have some parents evening appointments later in the term but obviously are working within the government regulations of contact.

I thank you for your continued support and would ask if you have any concerns please do not to hesitate to phone me at school or email.

We have had a fantastic start to our term already and are gelling very well as a class.

Yours

Cath Capell and the comet team.