



Year 1 and 2 – Spring Term

Welcome back after the Easter Holidays. I hope you had a good break and are ready for a, hopefully, warm and dry, summer term.

My name is Mrs Sarah Hill. I am pleased to be teaching at St Cuthbert's School and I am enjoying getting to know your children. What a delightful bunch! If there is anything you wish to discuss with me then please ask, and we can arrange a mutually convenient appointment.

Throughout this term in numeracy, the children will continue to develop their number skills; looking at gaining a strong understanding of number and how it can be applied in everyday life. We will revisit patterns in numbers and fractions and brush up on our knowledge of the properties of 2D and 3D shapes. We will look at measuring, time and all four number operations. Every day we will be counting on and back in 1s, 2s, 5s and 10s. We will be adding and taking away 1 and 10 and continuing to gain fluency and confidence with numbers.

Most of our literacy lessons will be based around our Big Idea. In addition, we will be using a wide range of texts, both fiction and non-fiction, to allow us to explore writing for a range of functions, such as letters, stories, poems, articles, and so on.

The Big Idea this term is Seas and Oceans which will create an exciting platform to learn about associated subjects, such as habitats and animals in the oceans and the work of Darwin. We will be exploring art work, dance, music, geography, ICT, DT and science within this topic.

Thank you for your continued support with the children's spellings and reading at home. This support is vital and the benefits can be seen in the children's increased confidence with reading and writing.

Spellings will be handed out on Thursday and tested on Thursday. We will visit the school library on Thursdays, too. PE is on Tuesday afternoon and swimming on Fridays. If your child needs a swimming hat they can be purchased at a cost of £1. If you send in the money with your child I will buy one for them at the pool, if you wish. Tuck shop is on Tuesday morning. This term, Mrs Issitt will be teaching the class on a Friday afternoon.

Thank you

Sarah Hill