



10A Class Newsletter

Spring 1



My Communication

Within English this term we will be looking at the theme of Literacy for Life and Leisure. We will be looking at all aspects of Leisure available in the community. We will continue to look at using adjectives in building sentence structures.

We will continue to focus on alphabet sounds and alphabetical ordering.

Within Reading we are continuing to follow personalised reading patterns with a mixture of 1:1 and group reading. Pupils have been grouped with peers of a similar reading ability. Reading packs will be coming home this term with activity sheets to complement their reading ability. Please can you encourage where possible for this to be completed independently. Reading packs will need to return to school daily, as the books are those, we read in class too. There will be a reading record book for you to make any comments and a log of reading at home.

We will also be developing specific communication and social skills intervention groups to provide structured time for pupils to practice these skills.



My Thinking and Problem Solving

For our maths this term we are looking at recognising time through regular events of the Day, Months and Seasons of the year. For those working at Entry Level we will be learning about time, measurement and number, practicing these on our community visits including weekly shopping and gym sessions.

The theme for science this term is "Forces and Movement" the pupils will be engaged with a range of activities. These will include investigating friction which will allow the pupils to apply this terms numeracy knowledge of measurement and time.



ASDAN

This term we will be looking to complete the two PSD ASDAN modules Healthy Living and Making The Most of Leisure Time which has utilised our visit to Bendrigg Trust.

In addition, we will commence work on further modules including:

- . Personal Safety in The Home and The Community
- . Using Technology in The Home and the Community
- . Parental Awareness

In addition, work on the module Preparation for Work has started and will be completed in the next academic year.

We have linked topics from the Personal Progress curriculum for pupils working at this level that match the subject matter of the PSD modules being completed.



My Community

In My Community, we will continue to access the community. This will include visits to local facilities within Chorley Town Centre, including the gym at All Seasons and weekly shopping trips. Pupils can use their own money to access snacks and drinks in local cafes. We cap spending money at £3.



Things to remember

Monday – Community visits

Thursday- All Seasons Gym Spring 1, Boulder UK Spring 2 please can pupils bring their deodorant and a bottle of water. Pupils are welcome to come to school in their PE kits on these days for ease of changing.

(Swimming Lessons will be Spring 2 and I will inform you on which day we have been allocated)

Friday – There are a few non-uniform days this term please keep an eye on the school website for up-to-date dates for diary.

8th February Valentine Disco

9th February INSET Day

8th March Non-Uniform Day

22nd March Non-Uniform Day

28th March Easter Bingo



Me and My body

PE continues to be on a Thursday and pupils can come into school in their PE kits.

This term we are accessing All Seasons Leisure Centre Gym. This is providing the pupils the opportunity to meet several objectives including:

- . The Physical requirement of DofE
- . A specific AQA Award
- . ASDAN Modules on Personal Safety and Using Technology
- . Both their Numeracy and Literacy targets

After the half term break, we will be visiting Boulder UK to undertake a five-week program of activities. In addition, weekly swimming lessons will restart on a day to be confirmed.



How can you help at home?

There are lots of ways to support your child's learning at home. Have a look at the suggestions below for some ideas:

- ✓ Provide opportunities for your child to complete jobs around the home
- ✓ **Where possible please share photos or a statement about your child's weekend to share as part of our weekend news.**
- ✓ Please read with your child and engage discussions about what they have read to you, using the provided reading pack.
- ✓ Ensure that they complete their Homework on a Monday and Tuesday evening
- ✓ Practice their weekly spellings from the Pearson curriculum



Home-School Communication

Home-school communication is important to us and helps us to support your child the best that we can. Here are some different ways to keep in touch...

- ✓ Writing in the home-school diary
- ✓ Emailing me at murphyk@astleypark.lancs.sch.uk
- ✓ Coming into school for parents evening and sharing our learning sessions
- ✓ Commenting on your child's Evidence for Learning posts