



Together, we make a difference

Newsletter: Independent Learners

Class: Squirrel

Spring 2024

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We ask for £10 contribution each term for healthy snacks and resources. Equally you are welcome to send your child's healthy morning snack in every day/weekly in your child's bag.



Communication

In the independent Learners Department the children will have access to a stand alone communication lesson each week as well as a lesson where they will be grouped with children working on the same level. Communication is at the heart of what we do at Delamere and it is integrated into every lesson we do.

Physical

In PE this term, Squirrel's will be focusing on Games in Spring 1 and Dance in Spring 2. We will be focusing on hockey within games, looking at the rules and beginning to play as a team. We will then be looking at movement and sequencing within dance.

Literacy

Our literacy focus is playscripts and autobiographies. We will be focusing on autobiographies the first half term and then looking at playscripts the second half term. We will continue our weekly discrete spelling and grammar sessions, and continue to apply these in all areas of our work. We will also continue on our daily reading and phonics sessions.

Maths

Maths in the spring term we will focus on all of the different areas in Maths. Throughout the year we will focus on number twice a week, as well as completing a geometry session, a measurement session and statistics.



The Arts

In Art, we will be exploring 3D art. We will be looking at artists such as Samantha Stephenson, Marco Balich and Louise Bourgeois. We will use inspiration from their techniques to create our own 3D art.

In music, we will be creating music from listening to environmental sounds. We will be taking inspiration from the four seasons and listening to composers such as Vivaldi.

Humanities

Geography — Our focus is on human and physical geography. We will be focusing on the features things such as the coast within the UK.



History— Our focus is global events beyond living memory. We will be focusing on the Vikings and the impact they had on today's society.

Equipment needed:

Please ensure your child has a coat in school every day as the weather is ever changing

Wednesday— P.E Kit

Friday—Swimming kit on Fridays. I will email the evening before to remind you.

We will also be going to Partington Swimming baths every Tuesday after half term.

Please ensure that you bring these in each week.



Home Learning

Reading is a wonderful way to learn new language, increase understanding and develop creativity and imagination. Please read 3 times a week with your child.

Purple Mash— Sign in and complete the work that we have set. If you need new log in details please contact me.

Key Dates:

- Week beginning 22nd January— KS2 Science week
- February— World's largest lesson
- Week beginning 5th February Mental health week
- 21st February Parents evening
- 23rd and 26th February class photographs
- Week beginning 4th March— Literacy week
- 7th March— world book day
- Week beginning 11th March- KS1 science week