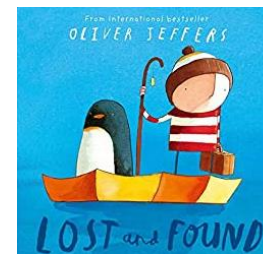




3rd January to 9th February



Class 2- Land Ahoy! **(Exploring Hot and Cold Places)**

What are we going to be learning in Class Two?

In literacy we will be reading 'Lost and Found' and writing our own version of the story. We will also be writing a character description of a pirate after reading 'The Pirates Next Door'. In maths, the children will work on 3D shapes, time, money and position and direction. Alongside this, we will be continuing our work on addition, subtraction and multiplication. In geography we will learn about hot and cold areas of the world, specifically The Caribbean and Antarctica and the story of Christopher Columbus. We will look at 'Expressive Painting' in art, particularly the works of Marela Zacarías, Charlie French, Van Gogh and Cezanne.

In science, the children will continue to learn about the properties of materials and how materials can be changed, alongside considering why we choose different materials for certain jobs. This half term in computing we will be learning how to make music via media. P.E will continue to be on a Tuesday when the children will be focussing on netball skills outdoors, and a Thursday when we will be working on gymnastics. Our Concept Day this half term is 'Special Places' in the context of Hindu Temples (Mandir).

How can learning be extended at home?

Please continue to support your child at home with daily reading and spelling work. Please ensure that you record daily reading with your child in their reading diary. We are going to have a big focus on Maths Challenge Cards this half term so please continue to work on these at home and send them in to school when ready for testing - Testing day is on a Thursday. Spelling test day will continue to be on a Thursday and new spellings will be taken home the following day. Homework will be set on a Friday and should be handed in by the following Wednesday please.

Other Information

This half term is sure to be chilly so please ensure your child comes to school with a warm coat every day.

Key Dates For This Half Term:

Friday 26th Jan - Pedestrian Safety Workshop (in school)

Wednesday 7th Feb - Trip with Class 1 to Reading Hindu Temple.

Key Vocabulary For This Half Term:

The Caribbean, South Pole, Antarctica, North Pole, North, East, South, West, compass, The Equator, geographical features, explorer