

LEARNING @ ORSETT THROUGH SKILLS



Monday 30th October 2017

Dear Parents,

I hope that you enjoyed your half term! As a class, we have decided and voted that we will be moving on to our time machine theme. We will be travelling through different times of history including Anglo-Saxons, Vikings and World War II. We will also be visiting specific moments in history and historical figures such as 'Votes for Women' and Martin Luther King.

By the end of this term, every child will have experienced different methods to obtain world history. We will be working individually, in pairs and in groups. We will also be learning in different styles and encouraging each other to push our learning methods.

Below is an outline of what the children will be learning:

History	To begin with, we will be focussing on the Vikings including where they came from, what they wore and how they lived. We will also be looking at key events in World History as well as areas of WWII.
Geography	To see how settlements have changed through time and the reasons for those changes.
ICT / Computing	How to de-bug a program and how an internet search is ranked/organised. We will also continue to discuss and work on our E-safety work.
Science	We will be moving onto Sound, which will work alongside the class' idea of the 'history of technology'.
French	We'll be learning our French colours, days of the week and numbers.
Art & Design	We will be learning about great world artists and architects. We will also be designing our own 3D Christmas decorations and cards.
Design Technology	We are hoping to be making World War II Rock Cakes, or something similar.
PSHE & Citizenship	Looking at how to keep ourselves safe, who to trust and challenging stereotypes.

By learning a theme in this way, we believe that every child benefits and gains skills that help them to understand the world that they live in. I know that you are keen to support your child throughout their learning and would ask you to talk to them about their learning and our theme.

Homework: As you probably already aware, we always encourage children to continue their learning outside of school. We do expect every child to read daily and learn their spellings and times tables ready for their tests. We will also be discussing the children's extended homework this week and this information will be sent out to you on **Friday 3rd November**, so that you are aware of the expectations and deadlines agreed.

Please note that our PE lessons will be every Tuesday and Thursday Friday, so please ensure that your child has their PE kits on these days. **If the children wear trainers for PE they must be non-marking and black, and they can only be worn if the children change into them for PE.**

Thank you for your support and I look forward to another exciting half term!

Yours sincerely,

Miss S L Dow
Class Teacher