

LEARNING @ ORSETT THROUGH SKILLS



Friday 5th January 2018

Dear Parents,

Arrr! Me Hearties! Yo, Ho, Ho! Happy New Year! We hope you have all had a well-deserved break and are ready to set sail with us into our next theme 'Pirates Ahoy!' This theme hopes to capture the imaginations of the children with lots of stories, songs, creative activities and the chance to meet a 'real pirate' on our celebration. Our learning will take us through the specific National Curriculum (NC) skills that needed to be mastered by the children.

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

<i>Scientific Enquiry</i>	Plants
<i>ICT</i>	You've Got Mail!
<i>History</i>	Who were Pirates?
<i>Geography</i>	Map skills
<i>Art & Design</i>	Creating treasure chest, flags,hats etc
<i>PE</i>	Games Dance
<i>PSHE & Citizenship</i>	Keeping safe
<i>Christian Value</i>	Truthfulness

Every child will experience a variety of different ways of learning including reading, writing, mathematics, problem solving, illustrating, working independently and working collaboratively and their progress towards the NC Skills will be continually assessed again in a variety of ways. Teaching it this way, will not only help the children see the relevance of the learning, actively enjoy it but also inspire them achieve higher standards in their work. If anyone has related skills, resources, experience and knowledge they are willing to share please let me know as soon as possible, as the more information and support that your child has, the more successful their learning will be.

Later in the term, there will be an extra-curricular activity related to this theme details of which will be sent to you.

Homework: *As you know here at Orsett we always encourage our children to continue their learning outside of school. We do expect that all children will read daily and will learn the relevant spelling and time tables for the year group. We also will be working with the children over the next week to agree their Extended Homework expectations and these will be sent out to you on **Friday 10th January** so that you are aware of the areas that your child will be working towards at home and also the agreed deadlines.*

Other Info: Our PE sessions will be on **Tuesday** and **Friday**. Please ensure that your child(ren) has appropriate clothing for outside sessions. **If they 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.**

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Yours faithfully,

Mrs L Olajide
Class Teacher