

LEARNING @ ORSETT THROUGH SKILLS



Friday 7th September 2018

Dear Parents,

It's the start of a new academic year and I look forward to getting to know your children and learning fascinating things. This half term, through our theme of 'Famous People' Year 4 will be going back in time to explore the lives and achievements of some of the people who we consider to be 'heroes'. We will explore the impact that they have had on sports, music, science and life generally. The children will be encouraged to review evidence and give their own opinions of these people and their work. 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:

SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL UNDERSTANDING	Materials Designing a Wax Museum
ICT	E-Safety & Using the search engine
HISTORICAL AND GEOGRAPHICAL UNDERSTANDING	Famous People: Sports People, Composers, Scientists & British Heroes Where is United Kingdom?
UNDERSTANDING THE ARTS	Exploring the work of Turner
UNDERSTANDING PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT, HEALTH AND WELLBEING	Games Gymnastics Feelings & Emotions
RE/CHRISTIAN VALUE	Creation & Friendship

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.

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 **Monday 10th September** 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 Thursday. Please ensure that your child 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