



PUFFIN POST

Spring 1 2013



History

Our topic this half term is 'Toys now and then'.

We will be recognising and describing features of toys long ago and today: sorting and comparing old and new toys; and locating on a simple time line when toys would be used.



Science

We will be looking at Forces and Materials through our work on toys.

We will look at the materials used to make toys and describe and sort them.

We will be identifying toys we move by pushing and pulling; explore how we can slow down and stop a moving toy; and investigate how far a toy car can travel when pushed down a ramp and what affects the distance it travels.



To support your child's learning have a go at the activities using the following links:

http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/scienceclips/ages/5_6/pushes_pulls.shtml

http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/scienceclips/ages/6_7/forces_movement.shtml

Music

We will be exploring pulse and rhythm through songs. The Puffins will explore using a variety of percussion instruments.

The Puffins will also be looking at Music in ICT using the PCs and Ipads. They will practise recording and playing back what they have created.

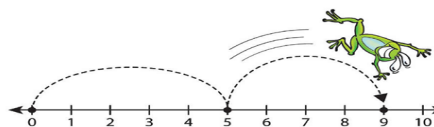


Check out this hyperlink for load of really exciting music activities.

bit.ly/linksfsmusic

Numeracy

Numeracy this half term will concentrate on reading, writing and ordering numbers. We will be learning different ways to solve calculations using cubes and number lines.



We will be exploring number facts to help us with our calculations including number bonds and double/half of numbers.

Try out the exciting maths games at this website to help the children improve their skills further.

www.abcya.com

PE/Swimming

A quick reminder that Puffins will be swimming on Thursdays. This will begin on Thursday 24th January.

Please ensure they have swimming kit, towel and coat with them for these sessions.

PE lessons are on Fridays. This half term we will be creating a dance around the theme of toys. Puffins can leave their PE kit in school on their peg for the half term.



RE

This half term we will be learning about stories of Jesus and the jobs he carried out as the Son of God: Jesus the storyteller, Jesus the miracle worker and Jesus the healer.