



PUFFIN POST

Spring 2 2013



Spring

In the first 2 weeks of this half term we will be preparing for our Spring assembly. We will be learning poems and songs; looking at festivals and celebrations we have in Spring and completing a variety of Spring craft activities. We can't tell you too much about what we are doing as we would like you to come and join us for our class assembly on Thursday 7th March at 9.00am.



Topic Work



During the following 3 weeks of this half term we will begin our Topic on Pirates. We will be learning about Pirates through stories and songs. We will be developing a pirate ship in the classroom for role

play and carrying out a variety of craft activities including making treasure maps and pirate hats. Use the following website to find links to a variety of children's sites about pirates: <http://webtech.kennesaw.edu/jcheek3/pirates.htm>

One of the songs we will be using in class can be found on the following web page:

<http://learnenglishkids.britishcouncil.org/en/songs/the-pirates-song>

Have a go at learning the song at home in preparation for our work.

Literacy

We will be continuing to teach reading and writing using the Read, Write, Inc programme, however, some of our Year 2 Puffins will begin literacy lessons. Our lessons will be based around our work on Pirates. This half term we will be concentrating on fiction texts. We will be looking at story structure and making predictions for the ending of stories. We will apply the skills we have learned through Read, Write, Inc to independently write character profiles, instructions to find hidden treasure and pirate stories. Some of the websites we will be using for our work are

<http://www.wildwickedwinifred.com/>
<http://learnenglishkids.britishcouncil.org/en/short-stories/the-treasure-map>



Numeracy

We will be continuing our work on reading, writing and ordering 2-digit numbers using the 100sq and number lines. We will consolidate our work on number facts that will help us solve calculations including number bonds to 10 and doubling numbers. To support your child with number skills have a go at some of the activities on the following websites.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks1/maths/>

<http://www.crickweb.co.uk/ks1numeracy.html>



PE

This half term the Puffins will be trying out Tri-Golf (a fun introduction to golf). This will be for 3 sessions on Wednesday afternoons beginning Wed. 13th March. Please ensure your child has shorts, t-shirt and sandshoes in school to enable them to participate in this activity.

