

Deal Castle Class

September 2018

Welcome back to a new school year! We hope you all had a wonderful summer holiday. The children are settling into the new class routines and getting used to all the changes. This term we will be learning about 'Fairy Tales and Castle.'

Numeracy

This term, in mental maths we will be working on:

- Number recognition
- Quick recall of number facts, such as bonds to 10 and 20
- Counting in 1s, 2s, 5s and 10s
- Mental addition and subtraction.
- Ordering numbers.

During Numeracy lessons we will be learning :

- About place value
- To count and order numbers
- To add and subtract
- To use money
- To measure length, weight and capacity

We will be encouraging children to apply what they have learnt through daily problem solving tasks.

Projects

This term we will be learning all about 'Castles and Fairy Tales'

We plan to:

- Visit Deal Castle
- Draw and label castles
- Make castles from different materials
- Read and write different fairy tales
- Make maps
- Use the computers to find out about different castles



Reading at Home

The children have already brought home reading books. It would be great if you could aim to hear your child read at least 3 times a week. We really value your comments about how your child reads at home so please could you write the date and a brief comment, in the reading record book, each time you read with your child.

To enable us to keep all our reading records in one place, we do not write comments in the reading record book.

Please rest assured that your child will be reading in school *every* day. This could be during daily Guided Reading and writing sessions, Sounds-Write teaching or reading individually with an adult.



Literacy

We will continue to teach the majority of our Literacy through the class projects. We will be looking at a range of fiction and non-fiction texts linked to our project and we will be using these as starting points for our writing.

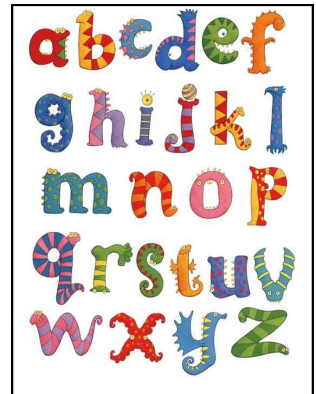
Over the next term in our writing we will be concentrating on:

- Reading and discussing stories
- Report writing
- Sequencing
- Story writing -Fairy Tales
- Writing recounts
- Labelling

In daily Sounds-Write sessions some children will be:

- Learning to segment and blend sounds in 3 sound words.
- Learning to read and spell multi-syllable words
- Some children will be working within the Extended

Code. This is the part of Sounds Write which addresses the more complex spellings of different sounds.



WATER BOTTLES

Please make sure your child has a *named* water bottle in school every day.

The children often have their bottles with them as they work so please could the bottle have a sports lid to avoid spillages!

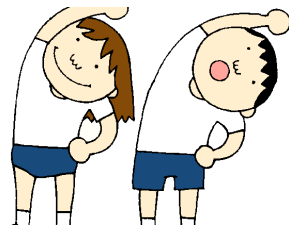
Remember, water only, no squash or flavoured water please.



PE

This term we will be doing PE on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

Just a reminder... please can you ensure children always have full PE kit in school. They need their green t-shirt and shorts. We are happy for your child to have plimsolls or trainers, they do not need both.



Diary dates:

21.09.18 Meet the Teacher 3-5pm
18.09.18—BFG story telling session
01.10.18 Reception children in full time
19.10.18 End of Term 1
29.10.18 Start of Term 2