

GRAVENHURST ACADEMY



Growing Together, Learning Together

KS1 (Years 1 and 2) Newsletter - Spring 2024

Thoughtfulness Courage Friendship Respect Values this term: Determination, Co-operation and Appreciation

Happy New Year and welcome back to school!

It was lovely to see the children back on Monday and hear all their holiday news. Spring term is an extremely busy term curriculum-wise but there are also many extra-curricular, fun events to look forwards to. Please keep an eye on the weekly newsletter for further information on Pancake day events, Valentine's Day Cake sale, World Book Day, Science Day, Easter activities and more!

Here are some snaps from this week's gym sessions which were enjoyed by all.



Mathematics

In the Spring Term the Y1 children will cover the following topics:

Place Value (20, then 50)

Addition and subtraction

Shape

Measures

The Y2 topics are:

Money

Multiplication and division

Fractions

The Year 1 and 2 maths sessions are taught in separately.



English

This half term we are reading humorous stories such as the Traction Man books by Mini Grey. We will also write non fiction such as recounts, instructions and letters

In February we will read myths and legends, including a beautiful copy of the Chinese New Year story.

Our Poetry Unit this term focuses on List Poems.



Topic and Science

Our history topic for the first half term will be 'How did we learn to fly?'.

In Art we will be exploring colour in painting and mixed media.

After half term our geography topic will be 'Hot and Cold Places' and in D&T we will be exploring mechanisms by making a moving monster.

In Science we will learning about Everyday Materials and then move on to exploring how materials change shape.

<u>KS1 timetable</u> This half term PE will be on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. After half term we will have Forest School on Mondays and PE on Tuesdays

Reading books will be changed on Mondays

Spelling tests will take place on Tuesdays

Lunchtime PE club on Wednesdays

Library on Fridays

Please send in daily

Coat and clothing appropriate for the weather

Water bottle (water only)

Book bag (keep the reading books in the bag)

PLEASE FNSURF ALL. YOUR CHILDREN'S BELONGINGS ARF CLEARLY LABELLED!