Gorringe Park Primary School

Dear Families,
The best learning takes place when the context is meaningful and made real to the child's own life. We hope that by sharing our aims, you and your family will support your child's learning in any way you can. If you have any skill, resources or knowledge that you can contribute and share with us at school, please see your child's class teacher.

Maths

We will be focussing on number this half term. We will be looking at:

- Adding across a boundary
- Subtraction across a boundary.
- Multiplying and dividing
- Revising the 2,5 and 10 times table
- Learn the 3,4, and 8 times table using repeated addition or arrays

English

In English, we will be reading " Jim, A Cautionary Tale' and 'The Lost Species'. As we become passionate writers, we will continue to develop our understanding of dialogue, setting descriptions and adverbials. We will also develop our understanding of vocabulary in context as we widen our vocabulary.

Geography

During our topic, we will be locating different countries and describing their physical and human features. We will learn how to use grid references to locate features of our locality. We will carry out a field study in Mitcham and learn how to gather and analyse data about human activity.

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RE

This term we will be learning about the Christian Bible. We will be comparing and discussing sacred books and the faiths that they belong to.

PE

In P.E. we will be developing our Gym Skills. We will focus on travelling, jumping, turns and more! We will continue to exhibit our great sportsmanship.
PE days will continue to be on Tuesday and Friday.
Remember your kit!

Science

This term we will be learning all about Light. We will recognise that light is needed in order to see things and that darkness is due to the absence of light. We will investigate how shadows are formed and how to change their size.
We will learn that rays from the sun can be dangerous.

Music

In Music, we will focus on rhythms. We will be learning how to play rhythms on the glockenspiel as well as beginning to read notations.
The children will get the opportunity to develop their musical knowledge and skill and understand why music can be so important – especially for well-being.

Art

In Art, this term we will be creating beaker pots. We will learn techniques related to clay and learn how to create embellishment. We will then use our knowledge to create a pinch pot.

Computing

This term' s focus will be filming and editing a narrated video. The children will get the opportunity to plan, film and edit their own factual video about the Stone Age.

Our World, Our Planet

In this term's topic, 'Our World, Our Planet', we will use maps to locate countries of the world. We will learn how to read and use four-figure grid references. As we continue to develop our understanding of human and physical geography, we will be sorting and classifying human and physical features of different countries. We will begin to use eight points of a compass to locate geographical features on a map. We will learn how to study data to find out about life in three settlements. Feeling inspired, we will then use our knowledge and skills to conduct our own local study of Mitcham. We will visit the town centre and carry out our own fieldwork. Afterwards, we will analyse our data to find out key information about the human activity in our town. What will we discover?

Help your child prepare for their project

To help your child develop their geographical skill, you could do some of the following activities:
Look at an atlas. Find a map of the world and help your child to learn which continent different countries are in.

Find out about famous rivers, mountain ranges or other physical features of found in different continents.

Find a map of your local area and plan a route to somewhere. Write down the directions and follow them. Were your directions correct?

Visit some of the iconic buildings in London. Sketch them and find out five interesting facts about these interesting places.