

Emerald Class Newsletter
Thorpe Church of England Primary School
Faith, Love and Excellence
Autumn Term 2 - November 2024



Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope the children and yourselves had a lovely half term break. It was lovely to meet you all at Parents' evening and if you do have any questions relating to your child's progress, please feel free to contact us.

We have a busy term ahead which we are sure the children will enjoy. There are a lot of exciting activities planned, including practicing for Christmas Nativity.

Best Wishes
Mrs Kaul and the Emerald Class Team

Our Autumn 2 Value is **Kindness**

Phonics

The children's phonics focus for each week are written on the whiteboard outside the classroom and 'I can blend' sheets are sent home to consolidate the learning that is taking place during the week.

Please keep us up to date about anything at home which might affect your child's learning so that we can support them as much as possible. Also, for any non-urgent questions please e-mail us at emeraldclass@thorpe.surrey.sch.uk

The Curriculum

- This half term the children our topic is 'Lovely Lights'. The
- Gunpowder Plot and different light and dark art techniques.

English

- Poetry about Bonfire Night
- Recounts including writing about their weekend so it would be very helpful if you could talk to them about their weekend to help prepare them for their writing.
- Exploring and writing about Bob the Bear and then writing about their own bear
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Maths

In Maths we are continuing with addition and subtraction, working on number bonds to 10, adding more and subtracting using counting back strategies. We will then learn to recognise, name and sort 2d and 3d shapes.

History

Significant events that are beyond living memory including: Gunpowder plot, Remembrance Day, Jesus and the Christmas story. We will also look at 'What mattered most to our two favourite Queens, Queen Elizabeth II and Queen Victoria?

Art

In art we will be exploring printing

R.E.

What is the 'Nativity' and why is it important to Christians?

Reminders

Wednesdays and Fridays: The children need to wear their PE kits into school for PE. Please ensure that if your child has long hair that it is always tied back and that they are not wearing earrings or watches.

Home Learning Grid: Please have a look at the Home Learning grid for this half term. Children complete **two** activities of their choice.

Reading: Please try to read with the children every night and help them to bring their home school link book in to school every-day.

Spellings: Each week new Year 1 common exception words will be sent home on Friday along with suggestions of ways to help your child learn to read and write these.

Thank you for your continued support.