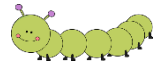




Thistle Hill Academy

Year R Class Newsletter, Term 1, 2019



Key Dates

Friday 4th October-
Fabulous Finish

Join us from 2:30pm
to celebrate your
child's first term of
learning!

PE

Both Reception
classes have PE on
a Thursday.

Please ensure PE
kits are kept in
school during the
week and that **all
items** are labelled
with your child's
name.

We will be focusing
on developing gross
and fine motor
skills, as well as
dressing and
undressing
independently.

RE

In RE this term we
are learning about
special times and
people in each of
our lives as well as
exploring different
faiths and
festivals.

Creative Curriculum Topic - New Beginnings

This term is all about getting settled into our new school and class. We will be talking about ourselves, as well as learning about our new friends.

We will be learning about:

- Our family
- Where we live
- Our likes and dislikes
- What we are good at
- How we have changed
- Our new school and surroundings
- What makes us special and unique
- What we look like

Maths

In maths this term we will be covering the following topics:
Counting skills to 10 • Number recognition to 10 • Ordering numbers to 10 • Basic 2D shapes.

English

This term in English we will be focusing on: Sharing and retelling our favourite stories • Recognising and writing our names • Mark making • Early phonics awareness- initial sounds • Nursery rhymes

Understanding The World

This term as we explore our topic of 'New Beginnings' we will be talking about: Where we live • Our local area • Changes as we have grown up • Similarities and differences



Homework

Please note that a homework task will be given out on a Friday and needs to be completed and handed in by the following Thursday. Some will be tasks your child can do on their own, some they may need help with. We also send home 'projects' that may last for 2 weeks.

We encourage you to read with your child every day. Don't forget to write in your child's reading record, for every 25 reads, they get a free book prize!

Computing

We will be exploring some of the different computing resources such as: Beebots, walkie talkies and remote controlled cars.

Expressive Art and Design

This term as well settle into school and explore our new resources we will be focusing on developing our skills in:
Construction • Mark making • Painting and colour mixing • Self-portraits