



Morning and End of School Routines

All Year 5 children will be welcomed from 8.15 am each day at the classroom doors. Currently, parents are not allowed in school unless they have permission from Mr Budge. This includes accompanying your child to their classroom. At the start of the day, children will enter via gate 3 near the dance studio and walk right round the building and come in the door at the far end of the school and straight up the staircase. At the end of the day, children will be taken down into the playground and will leave with their adult through the YR gate onto Newington Road.

English

In Term 1, the theme is 'adventures'. We will begin by reading a book called 'Kensuke's Kingdom'. This is the story of 'Michael' who sets sail with his parents and dog, Stella on a round-the-world adventure but disaster strikes when he falls overboard during a storm and is washed up on a desert island where he meets a man called Kensuke who lives on the island and looks after him. In this unit, children will write a set of instructions on 'How to Survive on a Desert Island' and write a mystery narrative as if they have been washed up on an island. They will also write a diary entry, newspaper report and a short story.

Maths

We teach Maths daily and all sessions begin with recap of the previous day's learning followed by a main session of learning. This term we will be focussing on the follow areas: place value, addition and subtraction, multiplication and division and time. There will also be a heavy focus on mental arithmetic. We will begin by recapping objectives from last year to ensure children are secure in the work they may have missed.

Most areas of Maths depend on good times table knowledge and an ability to recall facts; please practise this as much as possible at

Home Learning and Blogs.

Two 'Love to Learn' tasks will be sent home this term. Weekly spelling, and times tables will also be set. Our class blogs posts will also keep you up to date with the learning in our classroom as well as the class Padlet.

RAPS Curriculum

This term, we will be beginning a topic entitled 'Global Trade'. Within this unit of learning, we explore FairTrade and where food comes from, The British Empire, colonisation as well as which food is imported and exported to and from the UK.

Arts Curriculum

Through our Arts curriculum, the children will focus on music, dance, drama, art, PE and ICT. These subjects will be taught Monday-Thursday afternoons.

Reading

It is our expectation at Ramsgate Arts primary School that children read for at least 10 minutes every night. However, children are required to read at least 3 times per week and this should be recorded in their reading record. Reading records need to be handed in each Monday to be checked. If there is not evidence of 3 reads in a week, a letter will be sent home.

PE

Year 5 will have PE every Monday and Thursday afternoon. Children should come to school wearing their PE on these days.

General

Sipping water throughout the day aids concentration and learning. Please provide your child with a water bottle which they may keep with them throughout the day. It is vital that pupils arrive at school on time and that absence is kept to a minimum. Frequent lateness and absences can have a huge negative impact on a child's learning so please try to have your child in school by 8.30 am every day.

Uniform

Our school uniform exists both for health and safety reasons and to develop a sense of pride and responsibility in being a member of the RAPS community. The uniform policy includes the expectation that all children will wear black school shoes (trainers are not acceptable footwear), that long hair should be tied back at all times and that with the exception of a watch and a pair of small stud earrings NO jewellery may be worn by children. We also ask you to remember that children should not be wearing make-up or nail varnish to school and hair styles should not be extreme - this includes unnatural hair colours. The school's uniform policy is listed online. Please ensure your child is dressed according to this policy and that all items of clothing are clearly named.