

Service: "There is more happiness in giving than receiving." Acts 20:35

## Cedar & Hawthorn Newsletter



## What is at the end of a rainbow?

We will continue to use the platform Seesaw. Pupils can continue to use it to post their Creative Home Tasks in the form of photos, videos or PowerPoint style information pages. They will also be using it in school to facilitate reasoning and explanations as part of their Maths, Science and History/Geography learning.

English Texts: 'Zeraffa Giraffa' by Dianne Hofmeyr; 'Illustrated Atlas of Britain and Ireland' by Struan Reid and Megan Cullis, and 'River Story' by Meredith Hooper.

Our English lessons this term will focus on 'Zeraffa Giraffa' where we will be creating persuasive guides for visiting Zeraffa at the Jardin des Plantes in Paris. River Story will aid our Geography learning about rivers. The Illustrated Atlas is our Pathways to Read text which will be used to develop our comprehension and inference skills.

We are having spelling and handwriting focussed sessions, as well as extending our understanding of the grammatical features needed within our writing.

In Maths, we will be learning about shape and statistics. Towards the end of term, we will be consolidating our learning of the 4 operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division). We will also be practising and embedding our 3, 4 and 8-times tables.

In Science, we are learning about light and will be conducting investigations into reflection, shadows and studying sun safety.

In Art this term we are going to be looking at colour theory and discovering how we can create different colours, tones and shades. We will use this to create our own art books.

Forest School is Cedar this term on a Thursday.

PPA cover will continue to be on Tuesdays with Mrs Hobby in Hawthorn and Mrs Nash in Cedar.

We will be using Pathways to Read for reading sessions. This will focus on the children's comprehension, inference and prediction skills as well as developing their vocabulary knowledge.

In ICT we are using music software on the computers and iPads to create our own musical compositions and making improvements as we learn.

In History, we are continuing to learn all about the Ancient Egyptians. We will then be moving on to our Geography topic of rivers where we will learn how rivers are formed, the vocabulary used to describe parts of a river and comparing UK rivers to others around the world.

In RE we will be revisiting Sikhism and will discuss our understanding of how Sikhs celebrate and worship.

In PE we will be developing our athletics skills and preparing ourselves for Sports Day and Sports Festival Week. We will also be playing rounders/Kwik cricket.

Hawthorn - Thursday and Friday

Cedar - Wednesday

Music is on a Wednesday with Mrs Chapman.

If you have any issues you need to discuss please contact Miss Smith or Miss Bailey through the school office, who will be happy to arrange a convenient time for us to contact you. ☺