



Over this next term, I am anticipating more great learning to come for Ennis-Hill class at West Vale academy. The children should be excited to continue to build their knowledge of our broad and balanced curriculum as we continue in to the second term of our school year. We will be continuing to enforce our school rules and expectations to promote the best learning environment for our pupils. It would be greatly appreciated if the values of West Vale may be discussed at home too.

Maths

In maths this half term, year 4 will be moving from measurement to multiplication and division. Year 5 will be moving from fractions to multiplication and division. Of course, the children will have prior knowledge of these topics so we will be moving to build on these foundations and working towards challenging ourselves where we can!



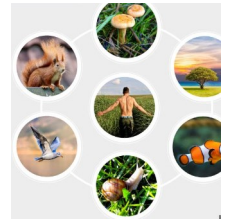
Art:

Next in art the children will be moving onto Art from western Africa, we will be looking at interesting things such as items worn by African tribes.



Science:

In science, the children will be moving to look at living things. This will include the life cycles of different living things e.g. plants and animals.



Geography/History:

In History, we are moving on to the interesting topic of the Industrial revolution.

In geography we are moving onto British geography, specifically: East Anglia, The Midlands and Yorkshire and Humberside. We will look at the landscapes of these areas.



English:

Over the half term, the children will be reading the book 'The Nowhere Emporium' written by Ross Mackenzie.

The children will then produce different forms of written work linked to our learning around this book.



Computing:

Computing will be taught in a full day block at the end of the term.

The children will this term, look at what Micro: Bit is.



PE:

The children will be taking part in both swimming and indoor PE. For their indoor PE lessons, the children will be practising Tennis skills and how to play a game.

Swimming will continue at Sowerby Bridge pool and fitness centre.



PSHCE & RE:

In PSHE, the children will be learning about safety and the changing body.

In RE, the children will answer the key question 'How do the 5 pillars guide Muslims in life?'



Music:

The children will be looking at music from South America such as samba and carnival. We also have an exciting samba workshop coming in to work with us on this!



Class messages:

Also this year, we are excited to have Phunky foods back in school working with our four year 5 ambassadors to help us educate ourselves on how we should lead a healthy lifestyle! This term our Phunky foods ambassadors are being set the challenge of designing the perfect healthy breakfast to have. The Phunky foods ambassadors will be called on, on Friday 6th January 2023 to begin this new project.

Important dates to remember:

Swimming days — Every Wednesday afternoon, Indoor PE — Every Thursday afternoon

Samba Workshop—Friday 13th January 2023 (small fee to be paid on Arbor for participation)

Friday 10th February — Break up from school for the half term.