



Venus classroom news!

What we are learning...

Welcome to Venus Class

Welcome back after your Easter break! The children have settled back into our class wonderfully, working exceptionally hard, showing respect to our classroom and following our rules and routines.

Topic: This half term our topic is 'Our Wonderful World'. In Geography, we will be identifying the seven continents and oceans of the world. In Art, we are creating 3D sculptures using recycled materials. We will also be learning all about plants in Science and developing our observation skills.

Maths: Year 1 - In Maths, we are continuing with place value within 50. We will also be exploring length and height, weight and volume as well as multiplication and division and fractions. Towards the end of term in Maths Year 1's will explore money and time. Please continue to support your child at home. We will also be spending time each week to consolidate our learning.

Reception - In Maths this term, we will be exploring different ways of building teen numbers to 20, exploring numbers beyond 20 as well as addition and subtraction. Please continue to support your child at home. We will also be spending time each week to consolidate our learning.

Our values

This half term at Kirk Fenton Primary school

We are focusing on the value...

Forgiveness & Respect

Phonics and English: Reception- This term we will be continuing to recap phase 3 sounds and also exploring some phase 4 sounds. We will also be developing our stamina for writing and encouraging children to write more detailed sentences. **Year 1** - This term we will be recapping phase 3 and 5 sounds. We will be focusing on using capital letters at the start of sentences, using full stops and using our phonics knowledge in our writing. We will be exploring different text types such as fables and poetry! Please read at home with your child to embed their phonics knowledge. Please practise tricky words at home to further develop sight reading.

Dates for your diary...

22nd April - World Earth Day

3rd May - May Day Bank Holiday

28th May - Term Ends

Reminders...

The school day is 9:15-3pm (Reception) and 9:00 - 3:10pm (Year 1). Please ensure that you arrive promptly as well as safely following the socially distanced guidance. Children who arrive after this time will be asked to sign in at the front of the school.

Our PE day will continue to be on a Friday every week. Please ensure your child is wearing PE kit on this day, this should consist of a white t-shirt, red shorts/leggings and pumps. Please dress appropriately according to the weather as PE will always be outside.

Book bags should only be in on a Monday each week for **Year 1** and Friday each week for **Reception**. Books will be changed on these days. If books have not been returned on changing day, a new book will not be given until the following week. Please ensure your child has a bookbag to help protect our school books.

Monday is also spelling test day for Y1 so please support your child to practise their spellings at home.

We encourage children to bring their own water bottles into school to ensure that they stay hydrated throughout the day.