Maths

This term in maths we will be focusing on adding and subtracting numbers to 10. We will have lots of opportunities for practical hands-on learning, including using part whole models and cubes, and ten frames and counters. We will be learning to write number sentences (3+4=7 etc) as well as learning our number bonds to 10. We will also be learning about subtraction as well as using a number line to help us add and subtract.

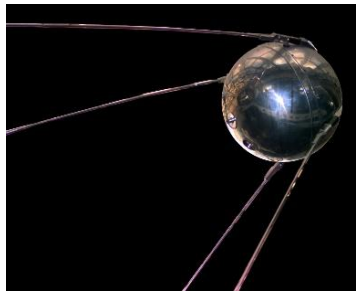
Science

Our topic in science this term is Living Things and their Habitats. We will be learning about the seven life processes, what habitats are and how different animals need different habitats depending on their adaptations, what microhabitats are, and learning about food chains and how living things depend on each other. During this topic we will have the opportunity to explore the school ground and search for different microhabitats right here at Newtown!

How you can help at home:

Homework will look a little different from now on as the spelling words that your children bring home link to the sounds and spellings that your child is learning at school. Please encourage your child to use their sounds when writing, and when writing sentences encourage them to use capital letters, finger spaces, and full stops. Please keep reading as often as possible with your child, it really makes a difference! If you ever have any questions, please let me know. Thank you for your continued support!





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Writing

Our writing this term will focus on the story Leaf by Sandra Dieckmann. It tells the story of a polar bear (Leaf) who washes up on a beach far from home. Because the other animals fear Leaf, they are unkind to him and don't realise that all he wants to do is return to his family! As part of our writing this term, we will look at using capital letters and full stops, using adjectives to describe, and using exclamation marks to show excitement and warning. We will also be exploring the different feelings of the characters within the story and towards the end of the term we will be rewriting the story from Leaf's perspective.



History

In history this term we will be learning all about Space Explorers! We will be learning about the astronauts Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin and their mission into space to become the first people to walk on the moon. We will also be learning about Katherine Johnson and the important role she played in space exploration. Throughout our history learning this term we will have many opportunities to combine our history learning with art! We will be creating portraits of Katherine Johnson, moon landing artwork, and even junk model rockets to name a few!

PE

We will be doing PE every Friday. Please make sure that your child's PE kit is named and in school every day. We will aim to do PE outside (providing it is not raining) so please make sure that your child has grey or black joggers and a jumper.