

The Glapton Academy

F2 Larch Newsletter

Autumn Term 2020



Topic

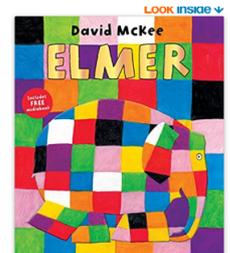
Autumn 1 is called 'Marvellous Me' is chance a to get to know each other, celebrate similarities and differences between us as well as explore our likes and dislikes. We will be supporting discussions using the story 'Elmer' and transfer key points into our classroom context. To spark our creative side, children will be creating portraits using different materials and media, talking and our families and investigating how we have changed since we were born.

This half term is also a great chance to look at changes in our environment and closer to the end of term, we will be looking at this by going on a autumn walk to look at how the leaves, trees and weather is changing as we approach Autumn and into winter.

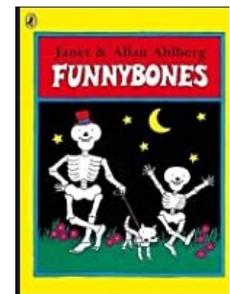
Finally, we will be studying parts of the body and discussing what we need to do to keep our bodies healthy.

Book Recommendation

Elmer
By David
McKee

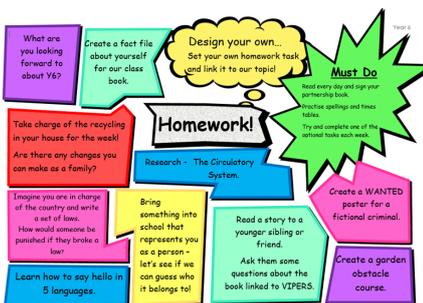


Funnybones
By Ahlberg



Homework

A homework menu will be provided each half term. These tasks will cover a range of skills. Children can choose as many additional tasks as they like to fit in with their busy schedules at home.



English

We will be delving into two very different books to support our topic this half term. The first being Elmer, where we will explore similarities and differences between each other. During the second half of the term, we will be going bump in the night with funny bones.

Whilst on their journey to learning how to write, children will be investigating initial sounds of words and practise the segmenting and blending of simple CVC words. We will also be practising letter to support this learning.

In reading, children will be recognising phonic sounds and blending them together to read simple words and sentences. We will be looking at the features of a book, including , front cover, author, illustrator, characters and sequence of events.

Maths

Following the Elmer theme, this half term will be all about pattern. We will be looking at patterns in our environment, making our own patterns and completing repeating patterns.

During maths children will look at simple patterns involving colour, shape, animals etc. We will be looking at repeating patterns and explore making our own using different resources in our classroom environment.

Following on from this we will start looking number. Focusing on the facts of number 0,1 and 2. We will be unpicking how the number is made ($1+1=2$, $0+2=2$, $2+0=2$) and rehearsing number facts. In addition to this, we will be counting objects and looking at numbers in our environment as well as encouraging children to write their numbers using the correct number formation.

Maths Vocabulary

Patterns
Repeating pattern
Shape
Number
Number formation
Digit
Counting

Partnership Books

This term we will be re-starting our reading reward system which was launched earlier this year. Each class will become '**Reading Rocketeers**' aiming to get to 'space' (200 reads) by the end of the academic year. Children are encouraged to read at home every day and to make a note in their partnership book every time they read outside of school. After every 20 reads, they will get one step closer to space and will be rewarded with a token which they can 'spend' on prizes and, of course, books!



Animal Words

Animal words will be sent out during this half term. Please practise these words at home with your children to help support their reading. Your child will then be tested weekly and achieve certificates once all words have been learnt.

PE

Our PE day will be a **Friday** however your child's PE kit must be in school every day as this can change. Please ensure your child has the correct PE kit clearly labelled with their name. Earrings must be removed for these days.

PE kit consists of:

Plain white t-shirt
Black shorts or joggers
Trainers (outside)
Plimsolls (inside)

Diary Dates

15.09.20: Virtual drop in
23.09.20: French Challenge Day
21.09.20: EYFS Parents Evening
29.09.20: Virtual Calculation Session for Parents with Mrs Randall
02.10.20 Harvest Festival

I look forward to seeing you all again soon and working alongside you and your family.

Miss Allmark