


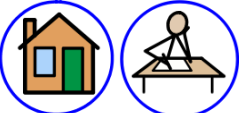










Swifts Class Information

September 2023

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| <p>Who are the teachers and teaching assistants?</p>  | <p>Swifts teachers are Katie Scammell Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday morning and Georgina Minton Wednesday afternoon, Thursday and Fridays.</p> <p>Our Teaching Assistants are Debbie, Megan, Laura and Carina</p> <p>E-mail: katiescammell@linwood.bournemouth.sch.uk georginaminton@linwood.bournemouth.sch.uk</p> <p><i>If you need to contact us urgently, please call the school office on 01202 525107. Classroom based staff may not be able to speak to you immediately but will call you back as soon as possible if necessary.</i></p> |
| <p>Who are the pupils/students?</p>  | <p>Children in swifts are Georgia, Lucas, Lola, Benji, Harri, Max, Harry, Olivia, Louie and Grace.</p> |
| <p>What are they learning?</p>  | <p>This term's topic is 'People'. To start our topic off we will be learning all about ourselves. We will then think about the people who are important to us, the people who can help us and then we will start to think about other important people in the wider world, this might be people from the past as well as those in the present.</p> <p>In Understanding the World, we will learn about the human body, our senses and the human life-cycle. We will also take this opportunity to learn about some famous scientists.</p> <p>When working with technology, we will continue to develop our understanding around e-safety. We will develop our ICT functional skills and look at operating a variety of computerised software.</p> <p>In creative arts we will be exploring printing, portrait artists as well as listening and responding to a variety of artists where we can learn about their styles of music.</p> <p>In maths we will continue to develop our understanding of number as well as learn about measure, shape and statistics. We will take our learning outside the classroom and apply our maths in different ways.</p> <p>In English we will read a selection of traditional tales. We will complete activities based on these books as well as continuing with our 'Read Write Inc' programme.</p> |
| <p>What are we learning about in RSE/PSHE?</p> | <p><i>This term in PSHE we will be covering a variety of weekly sessions based around: relationships, internet/online safety/health and mental wellbeing. This term in RSE our focus will be on 'changing bodies' as always, these lessons will be personalised to meet the needs of individual students. Students will start by thinking about how they change physically from being a baby to being an adult. We will then move to being able to describe and identify these differences before being able to recognise and explain the physical and emotional changes.</i></p> <p>If you would like to find out what specifically your child is learning, please speak to us.</p> |

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| <p>What could I do at home to help with their learning?</p>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developing independence – getting ready for school, helping make meals, helping round the house • Reading – visiting the library, sharing books together and recognising and reading signs in the local community. • Linking to our topic you can share photos, create timelines and discuss important people in their lives. • Practice key words that your child is learning • Learning to cook/reading recipes is a great way to support and develop maths skills. 'Lets get baking' |
| <p>Are there any good resources or websites we could use at home?</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Log on to the national college using your username details – you will find numerous resources to support keeping your child safe online. https://nationalcollege.com/auth/login • BBC Bitesize has a fountain of activities that are linked to our topic https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/primary |
| <p>What books or stories should we read at home?</p>  | <p>This half term we will be sharing stories and asking children to retell parts of the story, please can you share traditional tales with your child for example The Gingerbread Man. We will also be enjoying 'Elmer' and using the text to look at our similarities and differences.</p> |
| <p>When is PE?</p>  | <p>Wednesday afternoons. We are encouraging the children's independence and so are asking that children bring in a PE kit and get changed at school. We will then send them home in their PE kits with their uniform in their bags. Please ensure all uniform and PE kit is clearly labelled with your child's name.</p> |
| <p>When do you go out on trips?</p>  | <p>This term we are planning on visiting different areas within our school and local community including a visit to the library.</p> |
| <p>Are there other days when my child needs to bring in anything else?</p> | <p>We have 'Show and Tell' on Friday mornings. Your child could bring in something from home to share with the rest of the class at this time. Please do not send in anything valuable, good examples would be a special shell found at the beach or if it is more convenient please do email a photo which we can share on the interactive white board.</p> |
| <p>What snacks can I send for my child?</p>  | <p>We will provide a small fruit snack during the morning. You're welcome to send a healthy snack as well which they can eat during this time. If you are sending in snacks please remember that we encourage healthy eating. Also, we are a nut-free school so please do not send in nuts or any products containing nuts.</p> |
| <p>Are there any dates I should put on my calendar?</p>  | <p>Monday 9th October from 2.15pm and Thursday 7th December from 2.15pm – meet and greet sessions in our class, an opportunity for you to visit and complete an activity with you child. 27th September – Meet and Greet with Vita phase leader 1pm-2pm Linwood campus Family room 23rd – 27th October – half term</p> |
|  | <p>Medication For us to administer medication to your child, you must complete and return the 'Medication Consent Form'; the link is on this page. This can also be obtained from the school office. Medication must come into school in its original packet with a pharmacy prescription label.</p> |