



Saturn class

Information

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Who are the teachers and teaching assistants?	<p><i>Teachers: James (Monday-Friday morning), Emma Graham (Friday afternoon)</i></p> <p><i>Teaching Assistants: George, Nikki, Samsath, Sharon</i></p>
Who are the pupils/students?	<p><i>Harry, Kyle, Marcio, Matthew, Oliver</i></p>
What are they learning?	<p><i>This term's topic is 'People'.</i></p> <p><i>We will work toward ASDAN 'My Independence' certificates, learning about the world of work, exploring what this looks like, and the possibilities that we may have, and Preparing for Adulthood by learning different ways we can be more independent.</i></p> <p><i>PSHE will be covered in 4 distinct areas: Relationships, Internet Safety, Health, and Mental Wellbeing. Relationships will link into the topic of people; internet Safety will focus on using devices safely; health will work on maintaining our physical wellbeing and mental wellbeing will promote our emotional health. With the exception of Internet Safety, students will work toward ASDAN 'My Independence' certificates alongside their learning in PSHE.</i></p> <p><i>Relationships and Sex Education will centre around our bodies – the parts that distinguish males and females and how they change as we grow older.</i></p> <p><i>In PE this term, we are going to focus on football in the first half-term and basketball in the second half-term, learning about ball control and linking skills together as well as working on physical fitness and balance.</i></p> <p><i>In English, we will continue learning phonics and to read using 'Read Write Inc' and we will learn more about sentence structure and grammar using Shape Coding, generalising and strengthening the skills we have already acquired.</i></p> <p><i>The focuses for Maths this term are number, measurement of length, mass and capacity; in our class, we will learn about the composition and comparison of numbers, as well as how to compare different measures.</i></p> <p><i>We are planning RE activities for the week beginning 9 October based on the Christian festival, Harvest. In the week beginning 27 November, we are planning RE activities based on the Sikh Guru Nanak. The week beginning 6 November is our next MFL/Culture Week focused on Poland.</i></p>

	<i>You can find out more about our curriculum on our website at https://linwood.bournemouth.sch.uk/springwood/learning/vita-curriculum/curriculum-plans/</i>
What could I do at home to help with their learning?	<p><i>You could:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Reinforce your child's understanding of people who are important in their life.</i> • <i>Introduce them to appropriate new people.</i> • <i>Identify some ways that people are different, for example their physical features, age, religious beliefs, languages or the places they live.</i> • <i>Watch television programmes, read books or use the Internet to find out about different jobs people do.</i> • <i>Learn the name or sign for important parts of the body.</i> • <i>Practise skills to look after your body such as washing, bathing and cleaning teeth.</i> • <i>Practise household chores, such as washing up, cooking, cleaning, laundry.</i> • <i>Practise comparing groups.</i>
Are there any good resources or websites we could use at home?	<i>Fun Maths and English games: https://ictgames.com/</i>
What books or stories should we read at home?	<p><i>Please let us know if you would like to use books from the Read Write Inc programme to practise reading at home; otherwise you could look at any books with strong characters or illustrations of people.</i></p> <p><i>'The Growing Up Book for Boys: What Boys on the Autism Spectrum Need to Know!' by Davina Hartman</i></p>
When is PE?	<i>Thursday mornings.</i>
When do you go out on trips?	<i>Wednesday mornings.</i>
Does this class go swimming?	<i>There are no swimming lessons for Springwood students in the autumn term.</i>
Are there other days when my son/daughter needs to bring in anything else?	<i>Not at this time, you will be contacted should this change.</i>

What snacks can I send for my son/daughter?	<p><i>We have snack time most afternoons and we provide fruit. If your son/daughter would prefer a different snack, please send it for him/her. Please remember that we encourage healthy snacks and we are a nut-free school so do not send nuts or any products containing nuts.</i></p>
Are there any dates I should put on my calendar?	<p><i>Every Monday from 11 Sept., 9.30-11.30, Linwood Campus Family Room: Wellness group</i></p> <p><i>28 Sept., 9.30-11.30, Linwood Campus Family Room: My Child Parent/Carer Support Group (meets monthly, further dates to follow)</i></p> <p><i>5 Oct., 9.30-11.30, Springwood Campus Family Room: Parent/Carer coffee morning (parents and carers from all campuses are welcome)</i></p> <p><i>2 Nov., 9.30-11.30, Springwood Campus Family Room: Parent/Carer coffee morning (parents and carers from all campuses are welcome)</i></p> <p><i>7 Dec., 9.30-11.30, Springwood Campus Family Room: Parent/Carer coffee morning (parents and carers from all campuses are welcome)</i></p> <p><i>Week beginning 9 Oct: RE Week – Harvest (Christianity)</i></p> <p><i>23-27 Oct: Half term (school closed)</i></p> <p><i>Week beginning 6 Nov: MFL/Culture Week (theme to be confirmed)</i></p> <p><i>Week beginning 27 Nov: RE Week – Guru Nanak (Sikhism)</i></p> <p><i>18 Dec.-4 Jan: Christmas holiday (school closed)</i></p>
How can I contact the teacher?	<p><i>E-mail: jamesbanning@linwood.bournemouth.com</i></p> <p><i>If you need to contact us urgently, please call the school office on 01202 592410 and speak to Gemma or Lauren. 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>