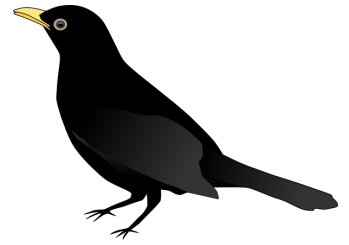




BLACKBIRDS NEWSLETTER TERM 2



ART AND ARTISTS

This term we are learning about Art and Artists. We will be learning about the lives of a number of significant artists, including Louise Bourgeois, Georgia O'Keeffe and Frida Kahlo. We will be exploring their artistic styles and the stories behind their work. We will be practicing our art skills, looking at tonal shading and the mixture and use of colour. We will be going on trip to the Tate Modern in week 4, where we will have the opportunity to view a number of important art works. We will also be participating in workshops within the galleries, exploring texture, pattern and shape.

READING

It is important to read daily to develop your child's speed, fluency and understanding in their reading. Reading books will be sent home daily with your child. Please remember to listen to your child read and sign their reading record books.

If you have any questions please speak to Mr Holmes.

BRAIN BUILDERS

Brain Builders are sent home weekly and support the learning in class. There is also the expectation that Brain Builders are completed to a high standard. Please return Brain Builders by Wednesday to allow time to share them with the class and for them to be marked!

SPELLINGS

Spellings will be learnt over the course of the week, enabling your child to focus on the content of the writing. They will be sent home weekly and tested on Fridays.

We will be sending spelling strategies home to help your child learn them.

TIMES TABLES

We appreciate all the help you can give your child with learning their times tables. This term we will be focusing on our 3s, 4s and 8s times tables.

Learning these will help your child to solve more difficult maths problems and improves their speed and fluency in mental calculations.

THINGS TO HAVE IN SCHOOL

Please send your child with a water bottle - it is shown that water and being hydrated can help concentration!!

Also, as the weather becomes more rainy and frosty, please remember to send your child in with a coat and a school jumper.

SUPPORT

If you would like any support and guidance to support your child's learning please feel free to come and speak to Mr Holmes.