

We are writers:

This term we will be focusing on some key texts. Some examples of the texts which we will be reading and enjoying will be;

- The Colour Monster
- Harry the Happy Mouse
- All about Mice
- Nursery Rhymes

We will respond to the stories, information texts, rhymes and poems by learning new vocabulary and practise our writing skills to produce simple words, captions and developing our letter formation. We will also develop our speech, language and communication skills through the English lessons.

We are mathematicians:

This term we will be using different representations and apparatus to help us to understand number and what each number is made up of. We will focus on different ways in which we can partition (split) the number and also where the number fits in the number system. We will also be developing our counting abilities in different ranges. We will also learn many other aspects of Maths such as fractions, shape, measures and time.

We are Scientists:

Plants and Seasonal Change: This term we will be looking at plant and how they grow. We will also be looking at what type of plants could grow in Autumn/Winter time. We will also be taking a look at nature around us and discussing what happens as the seasons change.

Humans: We will also look at us as humans this term. We will become scientists and learn all about the parts of the human body and what we need them for. We will also look at senses and complete tasks which will require us to use our senses to help us to know what an item is.

Acorn Class – ‘We are learning’

Autumn 2022

Topic: Castles



Our Core Values



We are Historians...

Castles: We will jump back in History this term as we explore and take a learning journey through castles. We will explore the name and job of the different parts of castles from the past and we will also look at why castles were built and who lived in them. We will compare the differences between then and now and we will also look at the chronology of castles – when they were built.

We are musicians...

This term we will be using a new unit of work on Charanga called ‘Anyone can play’ This unit will help us to understand instruments and help us to be able to select instruments to play. We will explore using instruments in different ways and make choices on which ones would fit the music best. We will also learn songs to sing.

Curriculum Drivers:

- **Enterprise** – Develop collaborative learning within a group, class and whole school context.
- **Resilience** – Develop resilience when tackling challenging tasks.
- **Aspiration** – Complete your best work at all time.
- **Real Experiences** – Develop opportunities to visit the local area and understand our locality.



Other: Your child will also be supported to flourish with other target areas such as speech and language development, fine and gross motor skills development and social and emotional development. There will be many interventions and support tasks tailored to your child’s needs and some key interventions to support your child will be;

- **Nuffield Early Language Intervention - NELI** (*developing listening and attention, vocabulary and communication skills*)
- **Balance Bikes** (*developing gross motor skills*)
- **Forest School** (*developing awareness of others and social interactions*)
- **Specific small group/1:1 Speech and Language support**
- **Blanks level support work** (*developing understanding of pictures and texts*)

We are Geographers...

Mapping: This term we will take a closer look at a local coastal area such as Formby. We will look at the key features which we will be able to see and we will also develop our mapping skills. We will use different maps to help us to understand where in the world the different areas are and we will even create our own maps. We will take a look at weather also and how this differs. We will be able to use new vocabulary learnt.

We are designers & We are artists...

Food: We will become designers to create our own fruit salad. We will look at fruit salads already created to help us to make decisions on our own. We will also taste fruit to help us to decide which fruits we would like to add. Finally we will learn and use new skills such as chopping, peeling, cutting and slicing.

Painting: In this unit we will look at exploring painting to make pictures with watercolours. We will take a look at the works of Claude Monet and we will copy skills which he used in his painting within our own versions. We will also look and comment on work by Monet.

Preparation for Adulthood:

Our key focus this term will be community – We will have a big focus on listening and attending to other when they are talking and also developing social skills and relationships