

Our topic this half term: Wonderful Weather!

Our books this half term: Lila and the Secret of Rain, All about Weather, Hotel Flamingo, Paddington Bear.

English	In English this half term, we will be using the book 'Lila and the Secret of Rain' as a model text to help us write a non-chronological report about the weather. This text originates from Africa and will expose the children to a text from another culture. This will link to our topic of 'Wonderful Weather', where we will learn about weather patterns and different types of weather. We will be focusing on using question marks, and using the suffixes -ing, -ed and -est. We will be writing a weather fact file and describing a tropical setting. By the end of the unit, children will be able to write their own non-chronological report about a weather type of their choice.	(ABC)
Maths	In maths we will be looking at place value within 50. We will be ordering numbers to 50, finding one more and one less. We will be consolidating our knowledge of tens and one. We will then move on to length and height, mass and volume. In these units of work we will be measuring, estimating and comparing.	$2+3=5$ 
Science	We will be completing a unit on seasonal changes, which links to our 'Wonderful Weather' topic. We will spend time observing daily weather patterns through making rain gauges and other types of weather vanes. This is an important skill as it allows children to observe over time and make predictions, as well as summarising findings.	
PSHE/RSE	In PSHE, we will complete the unit, 'Changing Me'. This unit looks at how we change from a baby to an adult, as well as lifecycles of humans and animals. We will also learn the correct names for different parts of our body.	
RE	We are learning about the key concept of salvation through the question: 'Why was Jesus greeted like a celebrity on Palm Sunday?' In this unit, we will learn the key parts of the Palm Sunday story and consider how we would greet an important person at our school. We will also understand the Easter story and link the importance of this to how Jesus was greeted on Palm Sunday.	
PE	In PE, we are completing our dance unit ready for our performance in the Key Stage One Marine Hall 'Tea Dance'. We will move on from that to begin to look at ball skills outside.	
Geography	In Geography this half term, we will be able to locate the four countries of the United Kingdom and Europe on a map. We will learn the four compass points and be able to locate different features around the classroom. We will use our knowledge of the UK to locate different weather patterns and understand that not everywhere has the same type of weather. We will locate Edinburgh, Cardiff, Belfast and London on a map of the UK.	
Computing	We will be completing a unit of work on Lego Coding. During this unit children will learn how to build models and programme them. Finishing off with an evaluation of our models.	
Art	Our unit in art this half term is 'Exploring Water Colour'. In this unit, we will be using the works of Paul Klee and Emma Burleigh to inspire us as we use exploration to understand water colour as a chosen media in Art.	

Our enrichment this half term: Key Stage One Tea Dance.

Possible Project on a Page idea include: creating your own painting in the style of Paul Klee, Making a weather vane to show the wind direction and record it or create a montage of photographs showing how you have changed from a baby to a young child.