

Understanding of the World

Science - Your child will be developing a better understanding of materials by exploring what objects are made from. such as metal, plastic and wood. They will be able to describe the properties of these materials and carry out some investigations.

Geography – The children will learn the 7 continents and 5 oceans. They will learn where Brazil is and compare life in Brazil to their own lives.

What we are learning:

The topic for this half term is 'Megastructures'.

Key questions for learning:

What is a Megastructure?

Where is Brazil?

What is it like in Rio De Janeiro?

Literacy and Communication

In English, your child will be reading the book *The Lonely Beast*. We will be making predictions prior to reading the book and using the pictures to infer what may be happening. We will be producing our own underwater setting descriptions using noun phrases. We will also be ordering the sequence of the story and re-writing some key parts.

Home Learning Opportunities:

Home reading is essential to developing your child's reading. Please encourage your child to take part in the 10 minutes a day reading challenge. Please remember to record each time your child reads in their home reading record so we can put their name in the draw for the chance to win a reading prize. Any questions about home reading, please come and let us know.

Thank you for your support.

Music

In music, we will be learning a new song and learning some notes to play on the Glockenspiel. We will be learning to keep to a beat.

RE

In RE this term, we will be learning the Christian creation story and how this influences how Christians behave towards nature and the environment.

Megastructures

Physical, Emotional Health and Well Being

The children will learn about the different people who care for them and how families are different. We will also be learning about kind and unkind behaviour and keeping each other safe. The children will learn the PANTS song to teach them about appropriate touch.

Maths:

In Year 1, your child will be reading, write, order and comparing numbers to 10. They will learn number bonds to 5 and understand odd and even numbers. They will learn how to represent numbers in different ways including using manipulatives and pictures.

In year 2, your child will be learning to partition numbers to 20 into tens and ones. They will be learning different ways to represent their maths, including using concrete pictorial and abstract methods.

PE

In PE, we will be developing our throwing and catching skills. We will be using some equipment such as tennis rackets and hockey sticks to travel with a ball.

We will be learning different balances in gymnastics and starting to put together some simple routines.