

Dear Parents and Carers,
Welcome back! We hope you had a lovely and restful Summer holiday.

PE Days: Both classes will have PE on Tuesday afternoons. Please ensure your child comes to school in their PE kit.

Homework: Homework will be set each Friday. English and Maths homework will be sent out on alternate weeks.

Reading: Reading folders should be brought into school every day, as we aim to provide regular opportunities for reading. We kindly ask that children read at home at least three times a week. As the children are becoming more confident, we encourage them to record their own reading during the week and discuss what they have read with an adult once a week.

Adults can then sign or comment in the reading record.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Kind regards,
Mrs Collingwood and Miss Morrow

English

This term, we will begin with reading *Here We Are* by Oliver Jeffers. Through the book, we will be recapping on Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar from Year 1 and building on these foundations to secure basic sentence structures and grammatical understanding, ready for lengthier pieces of writing later on in the year. After half term, we will be looking at *The Big Book of The Blue* and *The Perfect Spot*, writing both a narrative and some fact files.

Geography and History

Children will be learning about the hottest and coldest places on Earth, identifying their similarities and differences. In History, we will be looking at the history of flight, learning about significant people such as the Wright Brothers and Amelia Earhart.

Computing

Children will have the opportunity to learn about types of information technology in their homes and in businesses. They will then move on to finding out about digital photography, understanding how to take different types of photographs for different purposes.

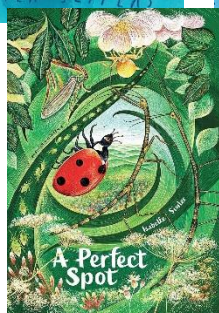
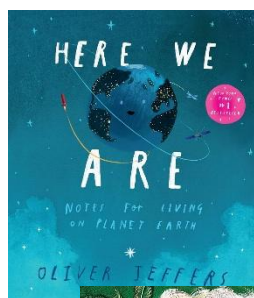
Music

Children will be exploring the sounds in different landscapes, selecting instruments to help represent different environments. They will learn lyrics and perform actions to match them, before creating their own compositions based on a particular place.



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Maths

In the Autumn term, children will be learning about place value, addition and subtraction and multiplication and division. The children will have a weekly arithmetic lesson and we will start to introduce times tables on a gradual basis.

Art/DT

In Art, children will investigate colour mixing, learning to make secondary colours, and then using them to create different effects. In DT, children will be investigating the strength of different shapes and structures before designing and making a chair for baby bear.

RE

Throughout the summer term, the children will be learning about different types of sacred texts, including the Bible and the Qu'ran.

PE

This term, the children will take part in activities to develop their agility, balance and coordination. They will work on their throwing and catching skills, as well as their dribbling and shooting.

Science

The children will be learning about habitats, finding out about their features, and gaining knowledge of the plants and animals that live there. Later in the term, the children will be investigating microhabitats within the school grounds.

PSHE

The Story Book Project focus for the Autumn Term are the texts *The Girl Who Never Made Mistakes* and *Ravi's Roar*. These texts cover the central themes of resilience, self-belief, reflection and respect.