

English

Our first literacy unit takes a look at nursery rhymes and sees us learning some traditional and more unusual rhymes with actions. We then move on to study stories with familiar settings leading to the children writing their own version. We will also learn about instructions and how they are used in real life before writing our own set linked to our work in science about healthy eating. Phonics, spelling and handwriting continue to be a crucial part of our learning. We will be recapping the Phase 5 phonic phonemes and alternative graphemes first and practising our handwriting to ensure we form all letters using the correct sequence of movements. Our grammar lessons will focus on accurate punctuation of sentences, and recognising and using nouns, adjectives, verbs and basic conjunctions.

Maths

We continue to use the Maths No Problem scheme to teach maths in year two. Our first topic focuses on the numbers to 100 including counting, understanding the value of each digit, comparing numbers, and completing number patterns counting in 2s, 10s, 5s and 3s. We will then move onto adding including adding single and 2 digit numbers starting where the tens boundary is not crossed. We will then learn to add multiples of 10 to each other and to any other 2 digit number. We will also be practising our subtraction skills, recognising subtraction as both taking away and finding the difference. We will be subtracting small numbers mentally using a range of methods for ease before moving on to look at column subtraction.

R.E.

Mrs Ventress will be teaching the class R.E. this term. She will begin by looking at Holy Books, focusing mainly on the Bible and then comparing it with other non-Christian special books.

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Key Vocabulary

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| noun | noun phrase |
| verb | adjective |
| conjunction | growth |
| young/old | animal names |
| offspring | life cycle |
| exercise | heartbeat |
| breathing | germs |
| hygiene | food types |

Science

We will be studying how babies grow into adults and the life cycles of other animals and insects. We will focus on healthy eating and lifestyles. We will look at what animals need to survive and what a healthy balanced diet looks like. We will also talk about why exercise is important and how our bodies need sleep to be happy and healthy as well. We will also discuss the importance of personal hygiene, medicines and how they help us to stay well.

Art

We will investigate portraits by a variety of artists and a range of drawing media and the marks they make. We will record self-portraits from observation and use pencil and paint to complete our portraits. We will also create a portrait sculpture using plasticine.

PE

We start the year focussing on the fundamental movement skills. We will be rolling a ball underarm, throwing a beanbag underarm and overarm, kicking and bouncing a ball, aiming at various targets and striking a ball with a bat. We will also practise catching a ball at different heights, running, hopping, skipping and jumping.

Computing

We start the year with a recap of how to log on and the importance of passwords. We will also practise our art skills using the paint programme before focussing on programming. During this unit we will develop simple animations.

PSHE

A big focus this term will be on our physical and emotional health. We will look at a range of emotions and will develop ways to deal with negative emotions. We will talk about looking after ourselves both mentally and in terms of our physical health. We will think about the importance of a balanced diet as well as the importance of sleep and exercise. We will also learn more about keeping ourselves safe both in the real and online world.

Wider Curriculum

Healthy eating day
Coach Jeremy – fundamental movement skills
Intra-sports competition
Hopefully a visit from a baby – please talk to me if you can help with this

Values for this Term

- Respect
- Reverence