### English

We start the year using the text 'Here We Are' by Oliver Jeffers as a stimulus for lots of talk, thinking and of course writing about our wonderful world. We then move on to study 'Lion in the Meadow' by Margaret Mahy. In this unit we will learn our own version of the story by heart, we will think about characters and settings in more detail and ultimately create our own individual stories based around the text. Phonics continues to play a key role in our literacy learning and this will be taught as part of our literacy lessons and separately. We will also be developing our understanding of grammar, in particular recognising nouns, adjectives and verbs. Handwriting is also crucial and we will be practising correct letter formation regularly.

#### Maths

Our first topic focuses on place value thinking about the value of each digit in a 2-digit number. We learn to compare and order numbers, representing them in different ways such as with Base 10 materials, on a bar model, number line and with part-whole models. We learn to count in steps of 2, 5, 10 and 3 before moving on to addition and subtraction. We will revisit our number bonds to 10 and learn to use these to learn other facts such as number pairs to 20 and multiples of 10 totalling 100. We also use the number bonds to 10 to help to add and subtract larger numbers. We also learn to add 3 single digit numbers and to recall 1/10 more and less.

## R.E.

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

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### Key Vocabulary

noun verb conjunction young/old offspring exercise breathing hygiene

noun phrase adjective growth animal names life cycle heartbeat germs food types

**P.S.H.E.** We start the year thinking about 'Me and My Relationships'. We will talk a lot about our feelings, including thinking about ways to help ourselves when we are feeling sad, upset or worried as well as thinking about ways to help each other. We talk about what it means to be a good friend, how our actions affect others and think more carefully about what it means to be kind.

Science Mrs Dowson will be teaching our first Science topic of the year focusing on 'Humans'. We investigate our basic needs looking at what we as animals need to survive compared to what makes us happy. We explore the importance of a healthy balanced diet and talk about why exercise is so important for our bodies. We also discuss the importance of keeping clean and personal hygiene and think about how medicines can help us to stay well. Art We will investigate portraits by a variety of artists. We will use a range of drawing media to make marks and evaluate their effectiveness when creating our own self portraits. We will also create a plasticine relief of our faces. **Geography** Miss Parlane will be teaching us all about the area in which we live. We will be looking at our school using various maps, aerial photographs and and in person and devising some maps of our own. We learn the meaning of NSEW and use other directional language too.

**P.E.** We start the year recapping our fundamental movement skills from Y1 through different playground games. We will learn how to dodge and change direction in games like tag or stuck in the mud, we will practise our hopping, underarm throwing and catching skills and learn how to strike different equipment.

**Computing** We start the year thinking about the importance of looking after ourselves when using the internet. We learn what to do if we see something which upsets us and learn that we must tell a grown up if this happens. We talk about why we have passwords and learn our own log on details.

Wider Curriculum Rockstars!!! Harvest in church Intra-sports competitions

# Our value this term is

- Justice