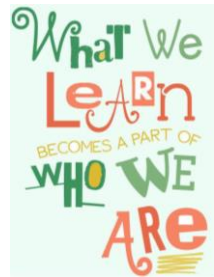




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Autumn Term

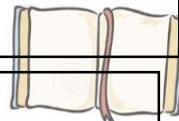


ClassDojo

We will be using Class Dojo to share homework, letters and other important information this term. You can use this to send teachers any work your child is completing at home!

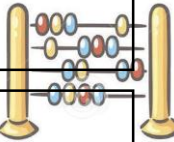
RSHE

Created and Loved by God explores the individual. Rooted in the teaching that we are made in the image and likeness of God, children develop an understanding of the importance of valuing themselves as the basis for personal relationships.



Religious Education

Our first RE topic is 'Homes'. In this topic we will explore how God is present in every home. This is expressed in the love that binds the family together within the home. Next, we explore the theme of 'Promises' and think about the meaning of the commitment made at Baptism and ask ourselves, "Why do we make promises?". Finally, our Advent topic is called, 'Visitors.' Within this topic, we will be able to explain to others that Advent is a time of waiting for the coming of Jesus.



English

The purpose for our writing this term is to entertain our reader. We will learn how to achieve this by looking at different genres, including narrative, description and poetry. Our spelling lessons will focus on the key words from our Key Stage 1 learning. We continue to will build on our spelling ability through taught lessons, each focussing on an important spelling rule that we can learn to independently apply. Handwriting will focus on developing a cursive handwriting style. To improve our reading skills, we will focus on key texts such as The Abominables, Stone Age Boy, The Pebble in my Pocket and a range of texts from various authors.



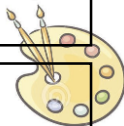
Maths

We begin the Autumn Term with Place Value. We will learn to read and write numbers up to 1000 in numerals and in words recognising the place value of each digit. We will gain confidence in counting from 0 in multiples of 4, 8, 50 and 100. Next, we will move on to Addition and Subtraction and learn to add and subtract numbers with up to three digits. Finally, this term we will study Multiplication and Division. Following on from previous KS1 knowledge, the children will be introduced to the 3, 4 and 8 times tables.



Science

Our first Science topic is 'Rocks'. The children will gain the knowledge required to be able to identify different kinds of rocks and group them based on their appearance and physical properties. Using this knowledge, we will learn how explain, in simple terms, how rocks and fossils are formed. Our focus will then be 'Animals, including Humans.' We will gain the understanding of why we need the right types and amount of nutrition. Then we will learn about the role of the skeleton and muscles to support, protect and aid the movement of an animal.



The Arts

This term we will be enjoying an Art Day and a DT Day to focus our learning. To celebrate International Dot Day we will build our confidence alongside our drawing and painting skills when we create our own Pointillist artwork. In November, we will be using our DT skills in order to help some well-loved story characters solve a range of problems. Look for the results of our learning on ClassDojo and our school website. During music lessons, the children will become familiar with the song: Let Your Spirit Fly. Our sessions will provide opportunities to build self-confidence, creativity and sense of achievement through experimenting with different instruments.

History / Geography

Our Autumn history topic is the Stone Age to Iron Age. We will learn about the changes in Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age. This will include the lives of late Neolithic hunter-gatherers and early farmers. In Geography, we will learn about the UK and each of the four different home nations. We will learn about capitals, flags and patron saints. We will also gain an understanding of the population and population density, land use and weather in each of the four home nations.

PE

This term we will have PE on **Monday and Friday** afternoons. For our physical skills we will learn how to gain and maintain control of a ball through dribbling and passing activities. After this, we will focus on improving the quality of our gymnastic movements.



MFL

In Spanish we will learn how to 'Meet and Greet' each other through the use of basic words and phrases. By the end of term, we will be able to draw upon the language needed in order to exchange names, ask how someone is, count to ten and say how old we are.