

Spring Term 2022
Curriculum Newsletter for Parents

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Dear Parents and Carers,
Happy New Year!

Your child will be working on the following curriculum during this term. We will also be using Google Classroom to post messages and share useful websites. Thank you for your continued support.

Mathematics

Children will be learning to mentally add and subtract two 2-digit numbers and demonstrate their method using concrete apparatus or pictorial representations. Children will be learning how to estimate an answer to check that their calculations are reasonable. The children will be recognizing the inverse relationship between addition and subtraction and using this as a method to check calculations and work out missing number problems.

The children will be reading scales in divisions of ones, twos, five and ten in a practical situation where all numbers on the scale are given e.g. a thermometer or measure capacities using a measuring jug.

Children will also be continuing to develop their ability to solve word problems.

English

Children will develop their ability to talk confidently about the text and will explore the themes of courage, perseverance and compassion. Children will be writing in role from more than one perspective, they will make plausible predictions based on what they have seen and read so far as well developing their fiction writing skills through planning, writing their own story ending!

The book we will be using will be:

The Robot and the Bluebird by David Lucas

Children will build their sense of empathy with a character and they will develop and sustain their ideas through discussion. They will write in role in order to explore and develop empathy.

Children will be consolidating their knowledge of expanded noun phrases and coordinating and subordinating conjunctions. They will be developing their ability to use the correct homophone when writing and begin to start editing their work.

Computing

The children will be learning about Questioning during their Computing lessons. This unit is designed to help children learn about the importance of phrasing questions and that certain data-handling resources are limited in the answers they can provide. We will be using the "2Question" section of PurpleMash so have a look at this at home if you get the chance!

Science

Children will be learning about living things and their habitats. Children will be investigating what is different about things that are living, dead or have never been alive. They will identify some of the plants and animals in a familiar habitat, sort objects into categories, find microhabitats and describe the conditions in a habitat. The children will be asking questions about habitats and describing the characteristics of some plants and animals.

P.E

Ball Skills and Attack Vs Defense

Children will participate in team games, developing simple tactics for attacking and defending. They will master basic movement including dribbling during their ball skills lessons.

Music

Children will be learning to keep time with a variety of different beats by listening and playing percussion instruments. Children will learn about how feelings are conveyed through music.

PSHE

Children will consider social and moral dilemmas that they come across in everyday life e.g. aggressive behavior, questions of fairness, right and wrong, simple political issues, use of money and simple environmental issues.

History

Children will learn about the lives of significant individuals who have contributed to national and international achievements. We will be looking at the history of flying! We will be learning about Amy Johnson and the Wright brothers. Thank you to all those families who did some research about this during the Christmas holidays. If you didn't manage to do this then please take the opportunity to create a poster/fact file in the coming weeks!

Art/DT

In Art the children will be using different types of brushes and paints for specific purposes. We will be exploring the effects of adding water, sand, sawdust etc