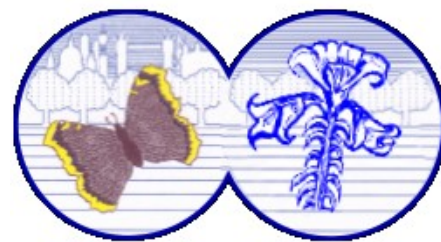


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CURRICULUM NEWS FOR THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY

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Maths

These are the maths topics for the term;

Autumn 1

Number and place value, addition, subtraction, 2D shapes, length and height and multiplication.

Autumn 2

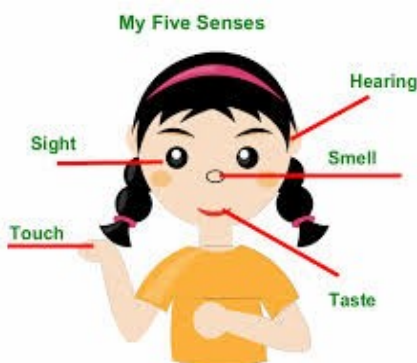
Time, addition and subtraction, money, fractions, and 2D and 3D shapes.

It is important that you continue to practise the following with your child at home. Please work on counting forwards and back to and from 20 and adding and subtracting numbers to 20. The children also need lots of practice forming their numbers correctly. If you have any questions, please feel free to ask for help.

Children need to learn their number bonds to 10 securely.

To be able to say 1 more and 1 less and 10 more and 10 less from any given number.

To be able to add a 1 digit number to a 2 digit number by counting on in their heads.



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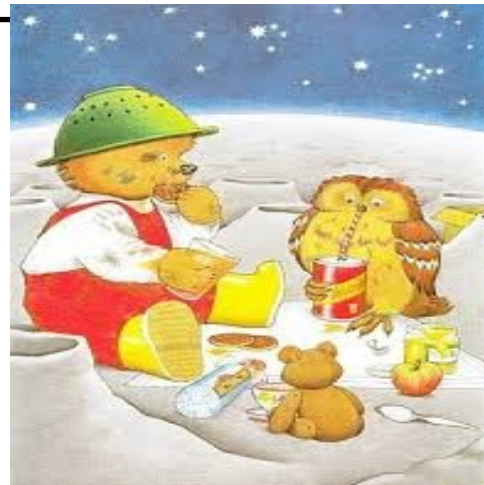
Science

This term we will be studying the human body. We will be looking at the names of various parts of the body.

They will be learning about our 'senses' and investigating each sense. The children will be studying animals, their diets and the difference between mammals, birds and reptiles. They will be looking at young animals and how they grow into adult animals. At the end of the unit, they will be studying how to look after and care for pets.

Reading

At school, your child reads twice a week with an adult and with their teacher as part of their Guided reading sessions. This reading will support their learning but the biggest impact for your child will be reading **every day** at home with you. Please spend ten to fifteen minutes per day reading with your child, asking questions and discussing the text. This is so vital.



Writing

In the first half of the Autumn term, the children have been reading about Traction Man. All of our writing in English has been based around this book. The children have writing diary entries, character descriptions and discussing the storyline. They have also taken part in dramatic activities, such as acting out the story in groups and small world work.

To progress in their writing, they have been focussing on using capital letters to start a sentence and a full stop to end it. They have also been learning grammar to improve their writing.

In the second half of the Autumn term, the children will be learning about the Baby Bear in the story 'Whatever Next'

They will be carefully looking at all his adventures and the characters he meets on the way to the moon. Any writing your child does at home will help to improve their writing skills. Please encourage your child to write about their day or their interests at home. Please talk to your child about the things they are learning at school and this will help to consolidate their learning.

FOUNDATION SUBJECTS

Religious Education

In our Religious Education learning, the children are learning about God's Great Plan. They will be looking at the creation story and the things that were created on each day. The children will be making zigzag books to depict this.

They will be reading Noah's Ark and discussing God's wonderful world. The children will be discussing how we can look after God's wonderful world.



In the second half of the term the children will be studying Judaism for the first week. Then the topic will be Mary, Our Mother. Working in groups, they will be looking at Mary's character and reading Bible stories about Mary.

Computing

In ICT children will be using the 'scratch' programme to programme and control a character. Children will input instructions into the computer for the character to carry out.



Art

In art lessons children will be learning to use drawing as a medium to develop and share ideas. They will incorporate known experiences. Children will focus on self portraits and still life drawings.



Geography

We are currently studying the four countries in the United Kingdom. The children will be locating the countries on a map. They will be finding out the capital cities of the countries and finding them on a map.



Music

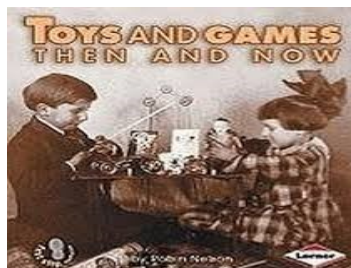
Music lessons will be taught by Miss Jameson. They will be using small instruments that will accompany the songs. They will be singing a variety of songs during the term.

Infant Hymn Practice takes place every Thursday morning.

The homework we set consolidates the learning we have been doing in class that week. Please support your child at home and feel free to ask questions if you do not understand anything. Weekly spellings are sent home on a Friday.

History

For the first half of the term, Year 1 will be looking at toys from long ago. They will be handling toys from 40-50 years ago and deciding what materials they are made of and why. What are the differences with modern toys?



Physical Education

This term in outside P.E we will be working on Games skills using a variety of equipment.

Indoor PE will be working on pirate stories for 'Real' PE, moving their bodies for movements on board a pirate ship.

Please note:

The correct PE kit must be worn at all times.

This consists of a plain white T-shirt and navy blue shorts or tracksuit bottoms in colder weather. Please ensure that your child also wears trainers or plimsolls.

Blue Monday (outdoor PE)

Tuesday (indoor PE)

Yellow Tuesday (indoor PE)

Friday (outdoor PE)