

Dates to remember:

- Thursday 15th January - Throwback Thursday (screen free day)
- Tuesday 20th January - APPCA movie night
- Friday 30th January - Year 1 class assembly 2:40pm
- W/c Monday 2nd February - National Storytelling week
- Friday 13th February - Chinese New Year celebrations

Art

Children will explore printmaking techniques using a variety of tools and materials, experimenting with patterns, textures, and colours.

PE

This term we will be focusing on gymnastics and hockey. Children will explore basic movements, balances, and rolls, developing coordination, strength, and body awareness. They will also practise basic dribbling, passing, and receiving skills with a hockey stick, developing hand-eye coordination and teamwork.

Music

This term in music, the children will be focusing on 'Composition' and looking at Stevie Wonder.

Maths

This half term, we will be learning about place value (within 20) and ensuring understanding surrounding 10 and the numbers following (up to 20). We will also be adding and subtracting (within 20) focusing heavily on number bonds and using them to help us do this.

Geography

This half term, we will be exploring weather and climate, introducing children to the concept of how seasonal changes affect the weather and our choices of clothing, alongside observing daily weather forecasts. We will discuss the difference between 'weather' and 'climate'.

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PSHE

Our unit this half term is 'Citizenship', helping children understand their role in their immediate environment, how to interact positively with others, and the importance of contributing to their communities.

Spanish

Our unit this term is recapping our learning from Reception, colours and animals. A new concept will also be introduced, which is animals (Los Animales).

RE

This half term, we will be deliberating 'Which books and stories are important', introducing children to the significance of key religious texts and stories across different faiths. The focus is on helping students understand the role of sacred books and stories in shaping beliefs, values, and practices.

English

Our theme for this half term is 'Rhyming Texts'. We will be exploring 'The Gruffalo' alongside 'The Snail and the Whale' by Julia Donaldson, heavily focusing on rhyming words and identifying them. Throughout the analysis of these texts, we will be creating character descriptions and continuing the narrative. We will then be looking at a poem 'My Treasures', which we will explore and consider our own personal treasures, for example, a special teddy bear or a different object of sentimental value. We will be attempting to write our own poem about our treasures as an end goal, including our own rhyming words as a challenge.

Science

In science this half term, we will be continuing to learn about materials and recognising them in a common environment. We will delve into their properties and discuss qualities such as 'Can they bend or stretch?' or 'Do all materials get wet?'.

Computing

This half term's unit consists of an introductory lesson surrounding online safety - 'Always be kind and considerate'. Following this, we will be looking at 'Lego Builders' and 'Maze Explorers' which allows the children to give step-by-step instructions to navigate a character through a maze. This will hone in on early programming concepts.