

Phonics



Children will continue to develop their knowledge of 'special friends' this half term (2 letters, 1 sound, for example 'ow'). They will use this knowledge to recognise special friends in real and alien nonsense words, before reading them aloud (Fred Talk).



History



We will be learning about significant people in History. The children will learn about Queen Elizabeth II, Neil Armstrong and Ibn Battuta. They will explore how society has changed throughout the 20th and 21st centuries, as well as comparing Armstrong's and Battuta's journeys.

Music



In Music pupils will learn 'In The Groove', recognise and play rhythms, select instruments and maintain an ostinato. They will record their musical ideas using pictures as a graphic score.

DT



Having learnt about materials in our previous Science topic, the children will now use this knowledge to design, create and evaluate a plant pot. They will choose its shape, size and decoration themselves and think about its purpose.

Physical Education



This half term the children will learn about the importance of exercise and how it affects their health. They will develop their ball skills, focusing on throwing, catching, tracking and hitting a ball; as well as developing their listening and attention.

Curriculum Overview

Year 1 – Spring 2 2025

Miss Hutchinson, Mrs Hirani, Ms Foster and Mrs Al Kari

Religious Education



In RE, children will explore the key question 'How do people keep in touch with our faith and/or worldview?' They will learn about the importance of prayer in different religions, including Judaism, Buddhism and Islam.



English

The children will continue developing their vocabulary, reading, and writing skills while exploring the following texts:

- Rapunzel by Bethan Woollvin
- Hansel and Gretel by Bethan Woollvin

The children will focus on retelling these stories both out loud and written in their own words. Children will be encouraged to use connectives (e.g. but, so, and) as well as descriptive language, such as adjectives.



Maths

In maths the children will learn to compare lengths and how to measure using items using different units (e.g. cubes, hands etc.), before moving on to measuring using a ruler.

This half term we will also be exploring numbers to 40. Learning how to count and write numbers up to 40 and compare numbers. We will also be working on how to understand and work out addition and subtraction word problems.



PSHE

This half term the children will be exploring the theme 'What will I bring to my community?' They will explore what makes them special and what their strengths are. We will investigate what a job is and why people have jobs. Finally, we will think about how we care for our community.



Science

In Science the children will learn about humans, understanding how we use our senses and developing their language around parts of the body. The children will work scientifically by classifying, asking questions and recording data gathered in their investigations.

Important Information:

Trip: Local Area Walk Thursday 20th March

PE days: Tuesdays & Wednesdays

Homework: Fridays (due Thurs)

Spellings: Handed out Fridays, spelling quiz the following Friday.

Reading books: Please ensure children read every day and reading records are signed. Books should be in their book bags **every day**.

How parents can support at home:

Reading: Ensure your children reads **every day** for 15 minutes and fill in their Reading Record.

Spelling: Help your child learn their spelling words.

Mathletics: Help your child to access the additional maths support on Mathletics. Their password can be found in the front or back cover of their Reading Record book.