

Autumn Term in Year 1 & 2

English

Phonics Y1

This term, we will continue our Little Wandle phonic sessions, recapping some of the sounds that we have learnt and learning lots of new sounds.

Phonics and spellings Y2

The children in Year 2 will start the term off continuing to develop their phonics skills and recapping alternative sounds. We will then move onto learning spelling patterns using our phonics knowledge.

We are reading...



This term we begin by exploring the story, 'Tell me a dragon' which we be writing to entertain by describing characters. Then our non-fiction writing is writing to recount, specifically postcards.

In Year 1, our focus will be on practising our letter formation, learning capital letters and using them to start a sentence and for names.

In Year 2, our main focus is on using capital letters and punctuation in our writing, as well as developing our work on using adjectives.

Maths

Our units this term are:

- Place value (within 20)
- Addition and subtraction (within 20)
- Place value (within 100)
- Shape

Year 2 Please continue to practise times tables of 2's 5's and 10's regularly to build confidence and speed.

Science

Our first unit this term is Animals including Humans as we explore the question:

How do animals and humans grow into healthy adults?

We will learn about how animals and humans grow into healthy adults, exploring why hygiene, exercise and eating the correct foods are important. We will also learn how humans and animals change and grow and what they need to survive

Later in the term, we will explore plants: **How do healthy plants grow?** In this unit we will be planting our own daffodil bulbs and learning what plants need to grow.

PE

Our P.E. sessions will be on **Tuesday** and **Thursday** each week.

One session will focus on developing our fundamental skills in an 'Jungle' themed unit of work that will develop core strength and balance whilst going on animal adventures!

In our other session, we will be taking part in a **Pilates** and **gymnastics** unit, where we will be learning skills such as, travelling, rolling, balancing, jumping and using equipment.

PSHE

To kickstart our PSHE this year, our theme will be **'Making friends, learning and playing together'** learning about friendships, including falling out and how to recognise bullying.

We will then move onto **'Mental Health and Wellbeing'**: learning to notice and name different types of feelings and thoughts and learn simple self-regulation strategies to manage them.

Geography

In Geography we will be exploring the question **'What are the countries of the United Kingdom well-known for?'** Through this we will locate the countries of the UK, discover the seas that surround the United Kingdom, pinpoint the capital cities and delve into what it is like in England, Scotland, Northern Ireland and Wales.

History

In History we will be learning about famous people from the past such as **Florence Nightingale and Mary Seacole** investigating how they influenced our history.

Music

In music, our units are **'Ourselves' and 'Numbers'**.

Through this we will be: performing, singing, playing and improvising.

We will learn how to use our voices and to play a steady beat using an instrument

Computing

This term's focus is coding and programming. We will be learning how to program a Bee-Bot by giving it instructions.

In coding we will be learning how to write our own simple codes to create images and make them move along the screen.

Design & Technology Art

In Design and Technology, we will be creating our own wheeled pull along toys. Looking at wheels and axels and designing our own monsters on wheels.

In our art unit **'Painting and collage'**, we will be creating some beautiful pieces of art around the theme of **Autumn**.