

Literacy

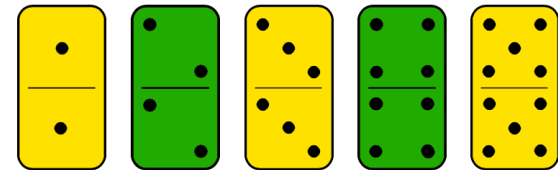
Our first book-making project links directly to our topic 'Our natural world'. The children will learn about more features of fact books, explore using these and continue to experience sentences that start in different ways. Following this, the children will write their own story book. They will explore the idea that anyone can tell a story, orally and in writing, and that writers can make choices about what happens in their stories. They will learn that stories usually contain a main character, a setting and a main event, leading to a (usually happy!) ending.



Maths

The majority of maths teaching this half term will focus on reviewing and securing the maths content we have covered over the course of this academic year, linking to the Mathematics Early Learning Goals.

This includes: a deep understanding of the composition of numbers to ten; subitising to five; automatically recalling number bonds to five and some bonds to ten; verbally counting beyond twenty; comparing quantities to ten and exploring odd and even numbers and doubles.



Phonics

We will continue with Phase 4 phonics this term in preparation for Year 1. We will assess the children regularly to ensure that each child knows as many sounds and tricky words as possible. We really appreciate the support you give at home with this.

We will also continue with our work on words containing more than one syllable. We will continue to practise reading and writing these and begin to try and use these in our work.

windmill shampoo
chopstick floating
tablet letter

Communication and Language

This term we are taking part in lots of drama lessons in preparation for our class assembly on the 6th July. We will be practising using our 'performance voices' when reading, as well as performing our stories in front of others.

Reading with expression is another focus this term and we will be working on this when the children read aloud to an adult.



Physical Development

Gross motor skills: Our PE lessons this half term will be on a **Tuesday** and **Wednesday**. We will be learning team skills where we will be practising hitting a ball with a racquet and working with others. We will also have athletics lessons where we will be practising jumping and landing safely and throwing an object at a target.

Fine motor skills: This term we will be developing our handwriting to ensure our work is well presented. We will continue our daily handwriting lessons to ensure that we are able to form all of our letters correctly. We are also working on ensuring we are able to write neatly on the lines in our books.

Understanding the World

Our topic for this half term is 'Our natural world'. We will begin by learning about planting and growing, in relation to the seasons.

After this, we will be learning all about different minibeasts. We will begin by looking at what a minibeast is and going on minibeast hunts around our field and playground. We will then focus on worms, caterpillars, butterflies and spiders and read different stories and non-fiction texts to learn all about them.



In RE, the children will be learning about religious stories and what we can learn when we read them. This will enable the children to become familiar with the idea that some books are holy books and people learn from them.

Expressive Arts and Design

Art: We will continue to learn about Wassily Kandinsky and this half term we will be practising our painting skills to complete paintings in the same style as his artwork.

Music: This half term, with Mrs Craven,



Personal, Social and Emotional Development

This term we will begin a new PSHCE topic, *Healthy and Safer Lifestyles*. This unit of work will develop the children's understanding of the importance of being healthy and the range of factors which contribute to maintaining their physical and mental health. The children will learn about some of the things needed to have a healthy body and understand the importance of exercise and sleep.

