

Phonics

The children will focus on learning phase 4 of phonics to learn how to read and decode complex words containing adjacent consonants. Children will also learn to read and write tricky words. Reading is still a priority so please do ensure that you continue to read with your child every week and make a note in their home reading record.

English

This term we will be exploring texts focusing on our topic ranging from non-fiction to fiction books. The children will explore books focusing on minibeasts. Children will be expected to write simple sentences with greater independence to record their own ideas and then begin to combine these sentences to write short stories. They will learn how to write factual sentences using vocabulary learnt from stories.

Communication and Language

The children will continue to develop their ability to gain and apply new vocabulary as well as practicing speaking in a way which demonstrates organised thought, allowing them to undertake extended conversations with their peers on a specific subject.

Maths

This term the children will learn about doubling numbers through practical exploration and will learn their doubles to 10 from memory. The children will also learn how to equally share numbers helping them to identify odd and even numbers and to begin to build the foundations for division in preparation for Year 1. The children will recap and secure their understanding of subtraction and addition through the method of using concrete objects, pictures and will begin to understand how to add and subtract mentally.



Expressive Arts & Design

In Art this term the children will use their modelling skills to create their own minibeast as a team. They will also focus on the artist Vincent Van Gogh and learn about who he was and will discuss his paintings. They will study his famous painting of sunflowers and use their printing skills to create their own sunflower painting.

Personal, social and emotional development

The children will secure the positive relationships they have developed and will begin to explore their emotions on transitioning to Year 1.

RE

This term the children will begin by learning about religious events and then will focus on caring for our planet Earth through the care of animals and our environment.

Understanding the World

This term the children will learn about the different minibeasts we may find in our local area. They will learn about the lifecycle of a butterfly and will develop their understanding of lifecycles by learning about their own lifecycle and will discuss how they have grown over the years and since starting school. The children will begin to identify different flowers and will explore the process of a plant growing and what a plant needs to grow.

Physical Development

PE lessons will continue as usual on a Friday so please ensure children come to school dressed in the appropriate PE kit clothing to participate safely. This term the children will be focusing on learning team games and preparing their athletic skills for Sports Day.