



English

During the first half term, we will be using the following texts for our writing:

- *'The Friendship Bench'* by Wendy Meddour. (Story)
- *'If I was in charge of the world'* by Judith Viorst. (Poem)
- *'Traction Man is Here'* by Mini Grey (Story)

We will be also:

- Make board games, focussing on statements and commands
- Write instructions for making a bug hotel.

We will recap some phonics learning from Year 1, before starting daily spelling lessons, including the spelling of common exception words from the Key Stage 1 list.



Mathematics

In Maths, we will cover the following areas:

- Place Value to 100 - counting and comparing.
- Representing numbers in different ways.
- Addition and Subtraction - adding three 1-digit numbers, bonds to 100 ($84 + __ = 100$), progressing to adding and subtracting two 2-digit numbers crossing 10.
- Money - Counting money and making amounts in different ways, finding totals and change
- Multiplication and Division - making equal groups and arrays



RE

Our theme in RE is 'Theology', where we will learn:

- Why is light an important symbol for Christians, Jews and Hindus?
- What does the nativity story teach Christians about Jesus?



Music

In Music, we will explore pulse and rhythmic patterns, use voices expressively and play tuned and untuned instruments musically.



Science

In Science, we will be exploring Habitats and Microhabitats. We will learn about:

- Life processes.
- Living, once alive or never alive.
- Woodland, rainforest and ocean habitats.
- Identifying and classifying minibeasts.
- Planning and carrying out an experiment.
- Understanding the role of botanist.



PE

Within the units '*Fundamentals*' and '*Fitness*', we will explore body movements, changing speed and direction, balance, hopping jumping and landing safely.

During the second half term we will move onto '*Team Building*' and '*Dance*'.



Art & Design

In Art we will:

- Develop drawing skills, including tone, texture, line shape, space and colour.
- Explore a range of artists by comparing similarities and differences.
- Learn about colour mixing, including primary and secondary colours, tints and tones.



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How you can help at home

Read at home with your child 5 times per week, recording this in their reading diary. Your child will also select a share book, which is perfect for a bedtime story.

Support your child to work through levels on *Emile* and *NumBots*. Once they have completed *NumBots*, they may move on to *Times Tables Rock Stars*.

Your child also has free home access to educational games and activities on *BusyThings* and *Purple Mash*.



History

In History, we will find out about how schools have changed over the years by exploring similarities and differences, and making comparisons between then and now.

Geography

In Geography, we will find out why our world is wonderful by exploring aerial views, naming and locating the world's 5 oceans and exploring human and physical features.



PSHE

Our work in PSHE (Personal, social, health and economic education) will focus on 'Being Me' and 'Celebrating Differences'.

We will learn about:

- How our behaviour can impact others
- Rights and responsibilities



Computing

In Computing, we will:

- Learn about the technology around us
- Use and creating Algorithms
- Create and debug simple programs
- Create, edit and store digital content
- Learn about digital photography
- Learn about internet safety



Design & Technology

In DT we will:

- Design and make a model of a bug hotel.
- Test material's strength and stability.
- Evaluate our constructions.

