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Mathematics

Over this term we will be looking at numbers and counting, place value, addition, subtraction and shape.

We will also be using the new maths scheme - Busy Ants, encouraging the pupils to solve reasoning type problems and to build their confidence to work in small groups.



English



Our narrative for this half term will be The Gingerbread Man, the traditional tale about a cheeky little biscuit who comes to life and runs away. He meets many different characters along his journey and unfortunately comes to a sticky end when he meets a fox. Through this text we will be looking at mark making, ascribing meaning to our marks, letter formation and beginning to write short, simple words and labels.

Also, we shall be focusing upon being able to recognise, read and write our first names.

Guided Reading

We encourage a love of books and reading through our daily class texts and end of day story time.

We will be focusing on our great online resource, Lexia. A copy of passwords and log in details will follow shortly.

Phonics



We are following the whole school phonics programme – Read Write Inc, every day we work on a different letter sound (phoneme) and written letter (grapheme). Each letter sound has a picture and a rhyme with it to help us to recall the sound the letter makes



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and how to carefully form the letter when writing independently. Information on our daily phonics will follow, shortly.



Topic

Our topic work this half term covers the theme "Who am I?" Through this we shall look at our families, friends, homes, communities and local area. We shall explore our senses through messy experiments involving gloop, seasonal nature through art and all about ourselves through a variety of fun and engaging tasks.

After half term we shall be looking at celebrations in our homes, communities and around the world.



RE and PSHE

In our topics; Why is the word God important to Christians? and Creation, we shall learn about bible stories that introduce how the world was created and stories that tell us about God and Jesus.



Music

Music will be taught every Wednesday by Mrs Whitely focusing on songs, rhymes and rhythm.



PE

This term we are focusing on movement to music, being taught by Mrs Hill and ASM.

Useful Information

Our PE days are **Monday and Tuesday**. Please come to school in your PE kit.

Homework is set on a Monday and due in the following Monday, each week a piece of homework will be set that may involve being creative, going out and about or finding out about something new. More information on this will follow soon.



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We ask that you read at least 5 times a week so remember, keep reading and log into Lexia to show your teacher what you can do! Rewards for reading/ Lexia will be awarded at the end of each week on a Friday. (Again, passwords to follow soon).

It is going to be a very busy term and we can't wait to get started on all of the new and exciting activities. If you would like any advice on how to support your child in their learning journey, please contact Mrs Hill.