



### Maths

Over this term we will be looking at number and place value, addition and subtraction and will begin to move on to multiplication and division. This will be through practical activities to begin with, moving on to some written methods when we are confident. We will also be doing some work on shape and measurement. At the end of each phase of learning, children will complete a 'Star Thinker.' This recaps on the learning that has taken place and encourages the pupils to solve reasoning questions. We will also be using the new maths scheme - Busy Ants, again encouraging the pupils to solve reasoning type problems and to work independently. Each week, we work on our times tables. Our focus in Yellow Class will be on fluent recall of two and ten times tables to begin with before moving to five times tables later in the term.

### English



Our focus in English this term will be on the narratives 'Look Up!' by Nathan Bryon and 'Wilma Unlimited' by Kathleen Krull. Through these inspiring, aspirational texts, we will be looking at sequencing and retelling stories as well as writing our own amazing written pieces.

### Guided reading

All children will continue using Lexia in school to support their reading. A reminder of passwords will be sent out to you. We will be encouraging children to develop a love of reading through the use of class texts such as Anthony Browne.

### Phonics/Spellings

We are following a phonics scheme – Read, Write, Inc – and will be learning several new sounds each week. We also use a 'No nonsense spelling' programme. Each day we work on a different spelling rule and explanation. Children are expected to apply this new knowledge in their daily work.



### Science

During our science lessons children will explore their local environment (school ground) to find out about the plants and animals that live in their locality. Children will learn to name and identify common wild and garden plants, including trees, so they are familiar with common names. We will be observing closely to spot the changes between seasons.

### History

Exploring their family history, children will discover similarities and differences between their own lives and those of people their grandparents' age. The unit focuses on different topic areas including homes, toys, shops and schools.



### Art

To support our History Topic, we will be focusing on 'family tree' art and self-portraits. The children will learn about colour, line, shape and primary and secondary colours. We will also complete sculpture work based on the artist, Henry Moore.



### Computing

This term we will begin by looking at E-Safety and the importance of using technology correctly before beginning to look at typing, changing font size and editing on Microsoft Word.



### Music

Music will be taught every Wednesday by Mrs Whitely focusing on timing, clapping and rhythm and syllables this term.

### RE and PSHE

Throughout the term, we will be focusing on what Christians believe God is like. Through this we will identify what a parable is and share parables from the Bible together. Children will learn to think, talk and ask questions about whether they can learn anything from the stories for themselves whilst exploring different ideas.



### PE

All children will take part in two PE sessions each week, delivered by myself and ASM. The children will be focusing on games and teambuilding. They will use basic throwing, hitting, rolling, catching and kicking skills and make decisions on positions, interceptions and retrieving.

### Useful Information

PE days are Tuesday and Thursday. Please come to school in your PE kit on both days. Children will have access to Lexia and TT Rockstars (times tables) at home. Reading books and diaries will be sent out soon. We still expect children to read 5 times each week. Children also have access to Collin Big Cats reading online to ensure they have age appropriate reading texts

Where possible, please can snack money for the week be sent in on a Monday with a list of snack items for each day.

It is going to be a busy but fun term and it is so lovely to have you all back.

Any questions, please come and ask.

Mrs Cadman