

Art & Design, Design and Technology and Music

Our design and technology unit relates to our history topic and we will look at designing and building our own castle including the features that we have learnt about. This will give us the chance to explore different ways to join materials. In Music we will find out about ways in which music can be used to tell a story. We will listen to a range of music including Peter and the Wolf, and will use instruments to portray pictures.

Maths

This term we will focus on place value. We will practise counting, reading and writing numbers. We will compare and order numbers. Number bonds to 10, 20 and 100 will be a focus as will understanding hundreds, tens and ones. We will counting in multiples of twos, fives and tens. Problem solving and investigations will be on-going.

Geography

This term we are exploring our local area of Hertford. We will be looking at homes and architecture as well as visiting Hertford Castle. This will allow us to gather information about the town to help the children create their own information leaflets.

History

In History we will be finding out about castles, looking at the structure of a castle and how they stop enemies invading.

PE

In PE this term we will be exploring our bat and ball skills, looking at striking the ball in a controlled manner. As well as this children will have the chance to work on the core stability skills looking at points of contact and different ways of balancing, in this unit they will need to be able to hold a shape and control their body movement.

PSHE & RE

RE This term we will be looking at the importance of 'Belonging to a Group', looking at the role of our family in our lives and how they help us become who we are. As well as how different religions welcome people into their group. Towards this end of this term we will be looking at why Christians give gifts and Christmas and what the meaning is in the Christian faith.

In **PSHE**, we will be continuing our Jigsaw lessons. Children will begin to discuss their roles within the class, discover a sense of belonging and understand the consequences of the choices.

ICT

We will be using the computer suite to practise computer skills such as logging on and off and saving work. We will become familiar with the computer keyboard and use it to type up some of our written work. We will reinforce the need for safety when using the internet. Later in the term we will use data loggers to observe changes. We will use databases to organise information.

Key stage 1

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English

Our key areas of focus in writing are sentence structure, punctuation and spelling. Phonics lessons will take place daily and the children's phonological knowledge will be extended. Comprehension of texts will be an important part of guided reading and English lessons. In fiction we will be enjoying books with repeating patterns, list poems and letter writing.

Science

In science we will looking at materials, finding out about their properties and how we can classify them. Children will compare materials, look at their uses and explore similarities and differences. In the second half of the term we will observe changes in the seasons during our forest school week. We will collect data using data loggers and observe how this changes over the different seasons. We will use this information to create a simple bar chart.