Music

Music is taught by Mr Stanton. This term, children will be looking at the Ukulele in music. They will be learning the stop and play positions and how to hold the instrument correctly. They will learn the correct finger positions for the C, A Minor and F chords and how we strum these effectively. As part of this work we will be studying two songs, a traditional African song and 'Can't stop the Feeling' by Justin Timberlake. We will continue with our exploration into music theory looking at tab notation and how we count beats in music.

French

Mr Kille will teach French to the class each week. The focus areas of learning this term will be learning animal vocabulary and linking this with colours and descriptions. We will also recap family. In Lent 2, pupils will learn numbers 11-31 and will be able to say when their birthday is and the birthdays of their friends.

Art/DT

During the first half term, we'll develop our DT skills by creating our own forts. After half term, we will be practicing how to include levers, wheels and axels into our designs.

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Happy New year!

Dear Parents/Carers.

I hope that you all had a wonderful Christmas break and enjoyed spending the time with your children.

As always, if you have any concerns about your child, please feel free to contact or visit me; I'm always happy to help you. The best way to do this is through Class Dojo. If you haven't already signed up to this, I strongly advise that you do so as you'll also reminders and key messages from school.

In this Curriculum Matters booklet, you'll find a summary of the main areas of study this term, which I hope you will find useful. If you, or a family member of friend could help in anyway with our learning, do not he sitate to contact me.

Homework



Homework will be given out on a Friday and is to be returned to school on the following Wednesday. Homework will consist of a Maths and English, Reading Journals as well as a weekly Spelling List.

Please continue to hear your child read, if possible for 10 minutes a day. Thank you in advance for supporting your child with their homework.

For those children who are still using phonics as their core method for reading it is essential that you access the Little Wandle reading practice ebooks at home. These support the children's reading in class and consolidates their phonic knowledge.



For more information please visit: https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/

RE

This term, our Come & See topics are:

- Books—. Investigating the books used in Church on Sunday by the parish community.
- Thanksgiviing—learning about different ways to say thank you and how the parish family thanks God for Jesus
- Opportunities -. Finding out about Lent, and the opportunity to turn towards what is good in preparation for Easter.

Maths

The following aspects of mathematics will be covered this term: multiplication, division, properties of shapes, statistics and fractions.

Within each unit, children will develop their Fluency, Reasoning and then Problem Solving skills as we endeavour to deepen children's mathematical understanding.

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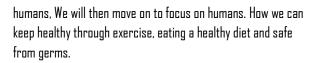
In English we will focus on writing for enjoyment using 'The Tunnel' written by Anthony Browne; We will write to inform by producing a non fiction flap book to include information about castles. In Grammar we will focus on developing expanded noun phrases and using adverbs. Our punctuation focus will be to use commas correctly in lists.

Computing

Our units this term are how to create and use spreadsheets and the importance of accurate questioning when researching.

Science

In science, children will learn about the basic needs of animals including



We will then move on to look at materials and their properties. Investigating which materials are best suited to a specific purpose.

Topic

This half term, our topic is Towers, Tunnels and Turrets. We begin by looking at structural features that help to defend people inside a castle. Moving on to look at famous towers, tunnels and bridges around the world, using the world map to find their locations.

After Half Term, our topic will be 'Land Ahoy' where we'll learn about famous historical pirates. We will make comparisons between the Caribbean and local coastal beaches. We will also further our knowledge of map skills using compass directions and locating different oceans/seas.

PE

PE will be on a Wednesday and Thursday this term so your child will need to come dressed in their PE kit on these days. Please see our website for further information about our school PE kit..