

Numeracy Skills

We will be practising reading, writing and ordering numbers to 20 and beyond. We will be learning how to find 1 more and 1 less than any given number, extending this to 10 more and 10 less when the children are confident. The children will be learning to understand addition as “counting on” and subtraction as “take away” and “find the difference”. We will be encouraging the children to use simple number sentences to record.

We will learn pairs of numbers that add to 10 (number bonds), as well as doubles and halves for whole numbers to 10.

We will also be making simple graphs, as well as weighing and measuring, using standard and non standard measurements.

The children will learn the common 2D and 3D shapes, looking at their properties.

Religious Education

We will be studying the Jewish religion. We will be learning about Jewish celebrations including Rosh Hashanah and Sukkot and how Jewish children join in with these. The children will hear different stories such as Moses in the Bulrushes and David and Goliath. We will also be looking at the Jewish home.

Communication, Language and Literacy

We will be learning about fiction and non-fiction stories using role play. The children will be investigating poetry. We will be reading a selection of familiar stories, and recording using capital letters, full stops and finger spaces. We will also be developing letter formation through short, daily handwriting sessions.

The children will have a daily phonic lesson to support their developing reading skills. The children will be looking at blends such as “sh”, “ch”, “th” as well as long vowel sounds such as “ai”, “ea”, “igh”, “oa” and “ew”. They will also have a group Guided Reading session once a week alongside other reading and phonic activities.

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Creative Arts

We will continue to develop the children’s swimming skills in Term 1. In Games and Dance, we will be developing the children’s control and coordination as well as encouraging team work.

We will be looking at the children’s use of pitch and tone when singing, using simple percussion instruments to accompany well known songs such as “Head, shoulders, knees and toes”. In term 2 we will be rehearsing and performing our Nativity.

In Art, we will be exploring the use of colour, line and texture, and control when working with different equipment. The children will learn how to use simple colours to make new ones.

ICT Capability

In ICT, the children will be developing their computer skills and familiarising themselves with keyboards. They will have the opportunity to use paint programmes and make graphs from data they have collected in Science.

In term 2, they will be using drag and drop skills to create pictures. As well as this, they will be exploring talking books and making use of their skills to navigate a computer game.

Knowledge and Understanding of the World

At first we will be looking at the seasons, particularly autumn and winter, including weather, signs of seasonal changes, and how we dress.

In term 2, the children will be finding out about themselves including using their senses, parts of their bodies and how they move. We will be investigating questions such as “Does the tallest person have the longest arms?” We will also be looking at animals in different habitats and comparing them to humans. This will include their pets!