MUSIC



We will explore pulse and rhythm through a range of songs and melodies. We will learn how to clap or beat a steady pulse using our own bodies.

We will be learning to keep a regular beat during our djembes drumming session on a Thursday afternoon with a specialist music teacher.

PΕ



This term in dance we will be understanding how different parts of the body are able to move and the importance of being active. We will be using music to explore movement imaginatively to express emotion.

Children will need their P.E kit (shorts, t-shirt & plimsolls) on a **Monday** and **Thursday** and it can be kept in school all term.

ART/DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY

During Art this half term the children will be inspired by the work of the artist Paul Klee. We will explore the use of different tools; including a printing block, and experiment using different surfaces for printing. In Topic lessons we will design and make a space rocket.

We will also design, make and evaluate a fruit salad for our Design and Technology project.

WHAT CAN YOU DO TO HELP?

- Maths homework is issued in accordance with what has been taught in school that week. It will be sent home on a Wednesday and collected in on the following Monday. Topic homework will be issued half termly
- Read with your child regularly, and encourage them to read out aloud using expression. Ask
 questions about the book they have read and make a comment in their reading record book at
 least five times a week.
- Work with your child to enable them to become more confident at counting to 100 and writing numbers and digits to 20.
- Log onto 'Letterjoin' and practise with your chid how to start letter formation from the line.
- o Please practise reading and spelling Common Exception words with your child.



Curriculum Information

Year 1 Spring Term 1-2019

Explorers

LITERACY

In Literacy lessons this half term we will be learning about instructions. We will use the texts 'Don't let the pigeon stay up late!' and 'Don't let the pigeon drive the bus!' to explore listening to and writing our own simple instructions.

After this instructions unit we will look at information texts and the children will choose a topic that interests them to produce an information booklet.

In addition to our daily phonics lesson, the teaching of phonics will have a strong emphasis through all subjects this term in preparation for the Summer term phonics check.

HISTORY

This term our topic is 'Explorers'. We will be learning about the history of space travel and the children will put significant space events in order. We will use I.C.T to find out about the past and the children will learn how science and technology has moved on and this is one of the reasons we can now safely send people to space.

GEOGRAPHY



This term our topic is 'Journeys'. We will be transforming our role play area into an amazing Space Rocket. The children will have lots of opportunities to explore what it would feel like to be a famous explorer such as Neil Armstrong and journey into space.

NUMERACY



This half-term children will be learning:

Number and place value- counting to and across 100, forwards and backwards from any given number. Counting in multiples of 5 and 10. Continuing to practise counting, reading and writing numbers to 100.

Addition and Subtraction- adding and subtracting 1 and 2 digit numbers to 20.

Measurement- weight, capacity and temperature.

The children will continue to talk about the maths problems they are working on using the correct mathematical vocabulary and developing their explaining and reasoning skills as they do this.

SCIENCE



This half term we will be continuing to learn about every day materials. We will discuss the materials used to build our school and investigate what happens when we drip water onto the surfaces of different materials. The children will make predictions and carry out investigations e.g. floating & sinking and waterproof. We will also discover where paper comes from and investigate all of its different uses through making papier Mache models, collages, paper aeroplanes and much more!

ICT



This term the children will further their understanding of programming through the use of IPads. We will continue to practise logging on to the computers independently and swiftly and become familiar with the school 360 site. The children will be learning to use the computers safely to access websites and conduct some simple research during our topic work.

RE/PSHCE



Our topic this half term is Islam. The children will be learning about Muslim beliefs and practices, including festivals, worship, rituals and ways of life in order to find about the meaning s behind them. We will be exploring the Islamic faith through drama, storytelling, art, artefacts and visual images.

Our PSHCE work will focus on New Year's resolutions, perseverance, resilience, happiness and well-being.