

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 and a range of percussion instruments.

PE



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 **Wednesday** and **Friday** 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, and in our Hinduism RE unit the children will design their own Rangoli pattern.

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.
- Spellings are sent home on a Friday and you should practise these with your child in preparation for their test on the following Friday.



Curriculum Information

Year 1
Spring Term 1-2018

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 the children will be continuing to learn about:

Place value- Counting to 20, forwards and backwards. Counting, reading and writing numbers to 20 in numerals and words. Finding one more and one less than a given number.

Addition and subtraction – Representing and using number bonds and related subtraction facts within 20. Reading, writing and interpreting calculations using '+', '-' and '='. Adding and subtracting one digit and two digit numbers to 20, including 0. Solving one step addition and subtraction problems.



SCIENCE

We will be continuing to learn about materials this half term. We will be carrying out experiments to test out how waterproof different materials are and how to carry out a fair test. We will also be making predictions and carrying out experiments to find out about objects that float and sink. The children will be learning about paper, where it comes from and that it has many different uses.



ICT

This half term the children will be learning about taking photographs. They will learn about the main functions and buttons on a digital camera as well as how to take different shots confidently, using both a digital camera and a camera app on an iPad.



RE/PSHCE

Our topic this half term is Hinduism. We will be learning about Hindus and what they celebrate. Through art, role play, videos and books we will explore Childhood Celebrations; Weddings; Divali and Raksha Bandhan.

During PSHCE this half term we will be discussing New Year's Resolutions and if we have made any. We will also be talking about friendship struggles, happiness, the Ten Commandments and being grateful.