

Maths

Children will be learning to:

- Improve their instant recall (Mastering Number)
- Recognise and find $1/2$, $1/4$, $1/3$ and $3/4$
- Unit and non-unit fractions
- Recognise the equivalence of $1/2$ and $2/4$
- Count in fractions up to a whole
- Tell and write the time to five minutes, including quarter past/to the hour and draw the hands on a clock
- Know the number of minutes in an hour and the number of hours in a day
- Make tally charts, tables and block graphs
- Draw and interpret pictograms
- Use mathematical vocabulary to describe position, direction and movement
- Problem solving involving the above
- Rapid recall facts- I can tell the time/ I know the multiplication and division facts for the 5 times tables
- Mental arithmetic and reasoning skills and practice

Science

Plants- Plant growth

In this unit, the children will learn that seeds have all the necessary parts inside for plants to grow and that they need water and warmth to germinate. They will recognise that light is required for healthy plant growth and understand the importance of healthy plant growth. Also they will sequence the stages of a plant's life cycle and describe the influences humans have on plants in the environment.

Making connections

In this unit, they will make connections in their Science learning. They will revise key knowledge and skills from units throughout the year, in practical ways where possible.

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R.E

Pentecost- Serving

In this topic, children will talk about their experiences of sending and receiving messages and that Pentecost is a time to spread the Good News through the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Reconciliation- Inter-relating

In this topic, children will talk about their experience of rules in their own lives and the importance of having rules. They will also think about rules that God has given us.

Universal Church- World

In this topic, children will talk about their feelings and experiences of treasures they have. They will be able to re-tell special stories about creation and how we should look after God's world.

Other Faiths-Islam

Children will learn that prayer is important to Muslims. As part of their daily life, they pray together. They will learn how Muslims prepare for prayer five times a day.

English

During our writing lessons we will be exploring:

- Fiction- diary entry and story writing
- Non-fiction- Instructions and recounts
- Poetry
- Planning writing to understand the structure, vocabulary and grammar.
- Compose and rehearse sentences orally building a rich and varied vocabulary and increasing the range of sentence structure.

During our lessons we will be learning to use:

- Varied punctuation
- Conjunctions
- Openers
- Adjectives and noun phrases
- Paragraphs
- Powerful verbs and adverbs
- Imperative verbs
- Time adverbials
- Similes
- Onomatopoeia
- Dictionary and thesaurus skills

Homework

Mondays - English - due Wednesday

Wednesdays - Maths - due Friday

Spellings - given out on Friday

(Test the following Friday)

Children should spend at least 20 minutes on their homework and should try and complete it as independently as possible.

History

What is a monarch?

In this unit they will:

- Describe what a monarch is and their roles
- Describe what a coronation is
- Learn more about William the Conqueror
- Explore Norman castles and how castles have changed
- Make comparisons between past and present monarchy

Geography

What is it like to live by the coast?

In this unit they will:

- Locate seas and oceans surrounding the U.K.
- Explain what the coast is
- Identify the physical and human features of the coast
- Investigate how people use the local coast
- Present findings on how people use the local coast

Art and Design

Sculpture and 3D- Clay houses- This unit focuses on teaching pupils to shape and decorate clay, create a pinch pot and design and make a clay tile with house features.

Mechanisms- Making a moving monster- In this unit, they will look at objects and understand how they move, looking at pivots, levers and linkages. They will design and make their own monsters, using linkages.

P.E.

Games (NEAT) - Invasion Games/ Skills

Real PE:

Unit 5- Physical- Co-ordination and agility

Unit 6- Health and fitness- Agility and static balances

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Music

Musical Me- In this unit they will sing and play instruments in time, choose and play appropriate dynamics and timbres for a piece of music, use musical notation to play melodies and create and play their own piece of music.

Myths and legends- They will create rhythms and use graphic scores. They will also use graphic scores to compose and perform a piece of music with a given structure.

Reading

Children should read every evening. Please record pages read in their orange home/school contact book. Please ensure that your child reads aloud with expression, and you continue to ask them questions to check their comprehension and understanding of vocabulary. Guided reading continues in school.

Phonics, Spellings, Handwriting

- Read, Write Inc. phonics programme and comprehension group
- Year 1 and Year 2 Common Exception Words
- Spelling shed programme for spelling
- Continue to develop a fluent, cursive style of writing.

EPR and RSE

Children will be following Kapow PSHE for EPR and the Journey in Love programme for RSE.

Computing

They will explore ScratchJr, which will include making their own musical instrument by creating buttons and Art + Design recording sounds.

The children will create animations using computers and pictures in the unit 'Stop Motion'.

They will continue how to be safe online, such as how to keep things private online.

Important Dates

Crowning of Mary- Tuesday 7th May
Ascension Mass- Thursday 9th May
Parent drop-in mornings- Tuesday 21st May- Thursday 23rd May
Year 2 Scatterball- Tuesday 21st May
Panto- Thursday 23rd May
Year 1 and Year 2 London Wetlands Trip- Thursday 6th June
Father's Day Gift room- Friday 14th June
Inset Day- Friday 21st June
Piano Assembly- Wednesday 26th June
Seaside Day- Thursday 4th July
Reports out- Friday 5th July
Move up morning- Monday 8th July
District Sports KS1- Wednesday 10th July