



Curriculum Newsletter

Year 1 Autumn 2019

Mrs French

Mrs Fox

Mrs Hickman

Mrs Wilkes

Mrs Gwilt

This is a summary of the learning programme for your child this term;

	English	Children will develop basic reading and writing skills (including handwriting), which will be topic based. We will endeavour to hear your child read their home reader on a weekly basis, although this may not be on the same day each week.
	Maths	Children will focus on place value, addition, subtraction and shape. In all lessons, children will be encouraged to explore concepts using a range of practical equipment and pictorial representations to build on their fluency, reasoning and problem solving skills.
	Topic	This term's topic is 'Into the Woods' and covers a range of Foundation Subjects as part of a more creative approach to the curriculum. We start by looking at where the children live. We explore how personal addresses are made up by looking at streets and houses around and close to the school. We then think about how we travel to school and discuss simple routes and maps.
	Science	Children will be looking at the everyday materials around us. They will explore materials, such as wood, plastic, metal, glass and fabric, through a variety of fun activities. They will also explore a variety of British Woodland animals linked to our topic 'Into the Woods'.
	Religious Education	The children will investigate belonging and identify what belonging means to them. We will also study the festival of Diwali and listen to the story of Rama and Sita. In addition to this, we will learn about Christmas and investigate why Christians give gifts.
	Music	Music will be taught by Mrs Barnfather, our music specialist. The term's focus is 'Exploring Sounds and Exploring Duration'. The children are encouraged to make a variety of sounds with their voices, bodies, found objects and instruments.
	PSHE	We will be exploring Health and Well-being, including classroom behaviour and rules, as well as relationships with others. We will also be learning about germs and how to keep ourselves clean.
	Computing	We will be practising logging on and off the computers, using usernames and passwords. We will also develop our understanding of using a keyboard, and practise mouse control, to help us become more independent.
	PE	PE will be taught by Mr Whitehouse, our sports coach. We will focus on ball skills, such as throwing and catching. Lessons will usually take place on Mondays and Tuesdays. Therefore, we would kindly ask that your child has their kit and that their earrings are removed.

Additional Information:

Reading is very important. Please aim to hear your child read at least three times a week, and talk to them about what they have read. This term's values are Honesty and Wisdom.