

English

In English, we will start by looking at stories based around 'Paws and Claws'. We are going to be using stories such as 'The Tiger Who Came To Tea, The Big Pudsey Fundraiser and 'The Lion Inside'. These stories will allow us to discuss the characters feelings and understand how we can treat each other with respect.

We will then move onto celebrating International Day and learning all about our chosen country India. Finally we will begin a range of Christmas festivities. This will include writing a letter to Santa, a diary about the elves and a snowman adventure.

You could help your child at home by practising their letter formation. This includes both capital letters and lower case. To read with your child at least three times a week.

Maths

In maths, we are continuing our learning on place value and addition and subtraction. We will be using number lines and our maths equipment to support our learning. We will be continuing our focus on writing and forming numbers 0-20 in both numerals and words.

We will also be learning about 2D and 3D shapes. We will be recognising and sorting these shapes. We will be going to a shape hunt to find shapes in our school environment.

You could help your child at home by going on your own shape hunt and seeing which 2D and 3D shapes you can find around your house or on a walk. You can continue to practising your child's number formation ensuring the numbers are consistently formed correctly.

Music

In music, we are going to be learning lots of Christmas songs ready for our Christmas performance.

You could help your child at home by listening to Christmas songs and practising their Christmas performance songs.

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Art

In Art lessons, children will be learning how to use colours to portray different seasons. We will be designing and make our own calendar for 2024.

You could help your child at home by exploring using paints, which colours you need to make brown.

Computing

In computing lessons, we are learning about e-safety, and particularly about keeping safe online.

You could help your child at home by talking to them about being safe on any devices they use at home.

Physical Education (PE)

In PE, we will be using our travelling and balancing skills on different apparatus such as benches and gym mats.

You could help your child at home by encouraging them to complete a Cosmic Kids Yoga session online to help their mind, body and soul.

Design and Technology

In D&T, we will be designing and making a puppet.

You could help your child at home by researching different puppets and how they can be made.

Science

In science, we are learning to identify and name a variety of common animals. We will learn animals are either a carnivores, herbivores or omnivores.

You could help your child at home by talking about different animals and thinking about which animals belong to which group.

Topic (History/Geography)

In History, our topic is 'What was it like here in the past?' We will be looking at the timeline of lives so far and ordering pictures chronologically. We will be comparing Health Hayes, schools and homes now to the Victorian era. During some of our English lessons we will be exploring the story 'The Old Toy Room'. We are very excited for our Victorian Day later on in the term, where we will replicate what it was like during these times throughout our day in school.

You could help your child by discussing significant events within their lives. You could share old photos, maybe with Grandparents and discuss changes from the past to the present.

Religious Education (RE)

In RE, we will be focussing on what advent means to Christians. We will also be thinking about different charities and how to help others.

You could help your child at home by discussing Year One's chosen charity 'Save The Children'.

Health and Relationships Education (HRE)

During Anti-Bullying Week, we will be learning all about the 'PANTS' rule from the NSPCC. With the help of our friendly dinosaur Pantosaurus, we will start to have a child friendly conversation about how our body belongs to us.

During assembly times we are discussing topics such as Bonfire Night. We will be thinking about why we celebrate bonfire night and how we can keep ourselves safe.

We will also be discussing Remembrance Day and making our own Poppy for our classroom door display to remind us of the importance of this day.

