

Key dates

Most key dates can be found on our school newsletters and on the school website.

Monday 30th September – Individual Photos

Monday 28th October to Friday 1st November – Half Term

English

We will be starting our learning using the text 'Sidney, Stella and the moon' by Emma Yarlett. We will also be looking at the text 'Astro Girl' by Ken Wilson-Max, which is about a girl named Astrid who wishes to become an Astronaut. There will be plenty of opportunity to write and enjoy reading. We will be writing non-fiction fact files about the moon and being an astronaut.

In reading we will be gaining confidence in reading our books independently, enjoying books being read to us and discussing the meaning of the books we read.

Maths

During this half term we will mainly be focusing on developing the children's knowledge of place value; knowing what each number in a two digit number means. For example, the 1 in 15 is a 'ten' and the 5 is a 'one'. We will also be looking at addition and subtraction up to and over 10.



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Science

We will be learning about animals, including humans. This will involve looking at the local environment to identify habitats for animals. We will also be looking at seasonal changes. We will look at the human body and name some key parts such as arm, leg, head, foot, hand etc

RE

This half term we will be learning about 'The Christian Family' What it means to be a Christian and what is special to Christians. We will look at the sacrament of baptism and why it is important. We will learn about Jesus and his baptism in the river Jordan.

Art

This half term we will be learning drawing skills such as sketching and drawing simple shapes free hand. We will be comparing the works of Pablo Picasso, Andy Warhol and Vincent Van Gogh and then creating our own self portraits using all we have learnt.

Music

This half term we will be looking at music vocabulary, such as rhythm, beat and tempo. We will be listening to and appraising the songs 'Wonderful World' by Louis Armstrong and 'I've got a busy body'. We will be playing tuned and untuned instruments – mainly percussion. We will also be taking every opportunity to sing including during music assembly.

Computing

Technology around us

We will become more familiar with the different components of a computer by developing our keyboard and mouse skills, and also start to consider how to use technology responsibly.

PSHE

Beginning and belonging

We will be settling back into school life and tailoring our PSHE sessions to the children's needs. We will revisit our behaviour system and learning about how to cope with new situations and who is part of our 'safety circle'.

Geography/History

This half term we will be looking at map skills and identifying where we live on a map. We will also look at seasonal changes. In History we will be looking at the moon landing, focussing on Neil Armstrong as a key person in recent History – linked to our text 'Astro Girl'.

PE

In PE this half term the children will be learning fundamental skills (balancing, running, changing direction, jumping, hopping and skipping) and doing Gymnastics.

Our PE days are **Monday** and **Wednesday**

Your child will need to come to school in their PE kit on these days

Indoor PE

- White T-shirt or Red T-Shirt
- Blue/Black Shorts
- Bare feet

Outdoor PE (weather permitting)

- White T-shirt or Red T-Shirt
- Blue/Black shorts or Tracksuit bottoms
- Tracksuit top
- Trainers