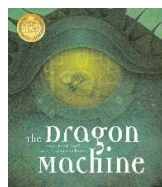


Autumn Term Year 2

English

Our English journey this term focuses on the children writing about their world and their interests. We will be linking with our work in PSHE as well as with our first book Look Up!

We will start the term by focusing on basic letter formation, ensuring our letters are the correct size relative to one another, as well as touching back on our key skills of capital letters and full stops. We want our children to have a positive attitude and stamina for writing so during this term we will work towards the children writing a speech about a topic that is important to them.



Science

This term, children will be focusing on Materials. We will complete practical experiments and comment on observations. During this unit, children will identify and compare the suitability of a variety of everyday materials, including wood, metal, plastic and cardboard. The children will also begin to explore and compare the differences in living things. We will begin to identify safe habitats for different living things as well as looking at food chains to understand what an animal needs.

Maths

In our Autumn term, our first few weeks back will give children some time to work on their number and place value which will help set them up for the rest of the term. During these sessions which will work towards counting to 100 as well understanding the value of the digits. Once children are secure we will spend time exploring addition and subtraction within 100. This includes number bonds, finding 10 more and 10 less as well as problem solving. Towards the end of this term, we turn our attention towards multiplication and division. Children must be fluent in counting from zero in twos, fives and tens. We use this knowledge to help children add using arrays, make equal groups and problem solve.

History

This term, our topic will be castles. We will look at the features of this historic buildings and their functions. We will discuss how they were used in the past and what function they now serve. We will link this to castle in the local area.

Computing

Children will look at digital photography and use iPads to manipulate images. We will also look at information technology around us, alongside our usual work on online safety each half term.

Art

Children will use storybook illustrations as a stimulus to develop their mark making skills. They will explore a range of tools and experiment with creating patterned surfaces to add texture.

PSHE

We will cover our Being Me in My World Unit. We spend time helping children know what to do if they have worries and learn about responsibility.

Geography

Children will focus on Continents and Oceans this term. They will be able to locate places on a world map, understand the similarities and differences in the geographical locations and name all 7 continents.

D.T.

During this unit, the children will begin to explore and use mechanisms, for example, levers, sliders, wheels and axles, in their products.

PE

We will work on our teamwork and problem solving skills during outdoor adventurous activities topics. We will also be using ball handling skills applicable to a range of sports.

R.E.

Children will learn about different celebrations that matter within Sandwell. We learn about Christianity, Muslim and Sikh celebrations.

Music

Children will work on the Glockenspiels this term with a specific focus on pitch, tempo and dynamics. The children perform solos as well as part of an ensemble.