



Parent Curriculum Overview

AUTUMN TERM 2 2023 SYCAMORE CLASS

ENGLISH

Our first English unit this term will be all about the story 'Owl Babies', where we will be writing descriptive sentences using adjectives and the conjunction "and". After this, we will be focusing on poetry with a festive outcome to finish off our Autumn term. The children will be continuing to learn how sentences are constructed with a heavy focus on using capital letters, finger spaces and special friends in our spelling. The children will continue to do Read, Write, Inc phonics sessions daily in small groups to learn new digraphs and continue and regular handwriting activities. Reading continues to be a high priority. We ask you to support this by reading regularly at home. Reading books will be changed on a Friday.

MATHEMATICS

This term we will be building on the children's knowledge of place value to 10 and beginning to learn different strategies for addition and subtraction. The children will continue to use to part-whole models and tens frames to create number sentences using addition and subtraction and continue to build fluency and accuracy when writing their numbers correctly. Later in the term we will be looking at 2D and 3D shapes. The children will sort shapes into categories, recognise the parts of the shape and how 2D shapes differ from 3D shapes, recognising patterns, similarities, and differences.

PSHE

This term our PSHE theme is 'Celebrating Difference'. We will explore how everyone is different and important and recognise that we are special because of our differences. We will also explore the concept of bullying. We will identify how to help someone if they were bullied and how to move on from difficulties, showing positive and encouraging learning behaviours.

HISTORY

Our History learning this term we will be all around the theme of 'Schools Through Time'. We will be looking at the differences and similarities between schools in the past and schools in the present. We will compare how children, learnt and dressed and the games that children played.

COMPUTING

This term we will be exploring digital painting and will be practising with different brush styles and sizes, changing colours, drawing shapes and filling them in. We will also learn how to use tools and remove mistakes.

ART

This term we will be creating Christmas cards using different printing techniques. We will first explore what printing is and learn different printing techniques. We will then design and make our own printed Christmas card and evaluate it when completed.

MUSIC

In Music this half term we will continue to work on our "Hey You" song and we will start to introduce percussion instruments to our lessons now that we have learnt to sing the song. Children will focus on playing in unison and keeping a steady beat, building on the work they did in Willow Class. This term the children will also take part in our KS1 Nativity and sing and perform a range of Christmas themed songs.

SCIENCE

In Science we will be continuing our learning about Animals including Humans. We will explore the different parts of the body and our internal organs and then compare to the bodies of animals. The children will also be learning about different types of animals and classifying them, using their knowledge of if they are carnivores, herbivores or omnivores.

PE

PE is on a Monday and a Friday. **Please check that your child has the correct PE kit and their shoes are the right size.** The children will be continuing to develop key fundamental motor skills and gymnastics.

RE

This half term we will be learning about what Christians believe God is like. We will be learning that Christians believe in God, and will be exploring this using different texts and parables from the Bible.

INFORMATION

- PE kits need to be in school every day. PE kits should be named. Please check that your child's PE shoes fit and they have a complete kit at school each week.
- Our Wild Tribe session is Monday 27th November please bring in appropriate outdoor learning clothing and wellington boots.
- Parents evenings are scheduled for Monday 13th November and Thursday 16th November.
- KS1 theatre trip Wednesday 6th December.
- KS1 Nativity performance - please keep your eyes peeled for more information nearer to the time, we'd greatly appreciate help with costumes and supporting children with learning their parts!