

Computing – Digital Photography

- Learn about devices for taking images.
- Take digital photos.
- Choose between landscape and portrait.
- Use simple photo editing software.

PSHE

- Learning how to keep our bodies healthy.
- Learning about medicines.

Hello Everyone!
Here is what we will be learning about this half term.



Science - Big Habitats

- Comparing different world habitats and finding out about the animals and plants that live there.
- Learn about food chains and be able to recognise what is needed for survival in a particular habitat.DT
- Building freestanding structures
- Testing structures for stability.

English

- Writing poems and stories
- Writing sentences using conjunctions.
- Spelling work will focus on key words and spelling rules for adding suffixes – ed, er, est, ing, y
- Developing fluency in reading through echo reading and using a story telling voice.
- Continuing to practise correct letter formation.
- Beginning to learn how letters are joined.

PE

This half term our games unit will be taught by Stevenage coaches and will focus on cricket skills such as rolling, aiming and stopping a ball. On Thursdays in dance we will work in pairs and groups to develop sequences of movements and keep in time.

Art

- Creating 3D artwork using paper and card
- Exploring ways of manipulating and joining paper and card.
- Looking at the work of sculptors such as Alexander Calder and Naum Gabo

Music

Music lessons will continue with Mr Mitchell.

Maths

- Revise key concepts about Number and place value and using mental strategies for the four calculations including using known facts such as number bonds and regrouping numbers.
- Develop understanding of multiplication and division as grouping and sharing.
- Build on problem solving skills – telling maths stories and recognising when to add, subtract, multiply or divide.
- Solve problems in different contexts e.g. finding change, using measurements.

Geography – Polar Regions

- Locating the polar regions on a world map.
- Identifying geographical features of a place.
- Comparing places in the Arctic and Antarctica.

RE

- Similarities and differences between people and living happily together
- Learning about Zakat
- Learning about Palm Sunday and Easter

Book Bags

Please can I remind everyone that the children should not be bringing in toys or sweets in their book bags. If they need something after school and it needs to be brought in please let one of the adults know so it can be kept safely until home time.

Spelling

We will continue to send home new spellings to learn on Friday with a test the following Thursday. We will continue to highlight any words spelt wrong in the test so you know what to keep practising.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any queries or concerns either by ringing the school office or by email:
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PE lessons will be Mondays and Thursdays. There may be additional opportunities to go outside and use the running track so children should have their PE trainers in school everyday. Trainers also needed to be worn at playtimes to use the climbing equipment.

Children should have **navy shorts** and a **coloured team t shirt**. They will also need **navy jogging bottoms** and **jumper** for outdoor PE until the weather warms up.

Earrings should either be removed or covered with micropore tape (which needs to be provided).

PLEASE ENSURE **EVERYTHING IS NAMED**.

Mini Maths Challenge

The children have been doing brilliantly on their mini maths challenge. Please make sure you continue to practise the number facts that have already been covered to keep them fresh.

The order of challenges is as follows:

- Number bonds within numbers to 6
- Number bonds within 7, 8, 9
- Number bonds to 10
- Number bonds to 20
- x2
- ÷2
- Doubling and halving numbers to 10
- x10
- ÷10
- x5
- ÷5
- mixed x2, x10, x5
- mixed ÷2, ÷10, ÷5
- Doubling and halving numbers to 20

These are all important number facts for the children to **know by heart** rather than working them out each time. Please continue to practise these facts at home.