

Literacy

This half term we will continue to develop a life-long love of reading. We will share more stories and poems considering what it means to be an author and illustrator. We will focus on talking about stories demonstrating our familiarity and understanding. We will begin our learning project by enjoying the story 'Owl Babies'.

We will strengthen our writing skills using our phonic knowledge to write short captions and phrases.

We will continue following our phonics scheme and begin learning phase 3 sounds.

Understanding the World



We will investigate the environment and its changes through the day and the year including phenomena, such as day and night and how weather can affect the way their environment appears. We will explore darkness and the absence of light and learn about nocturnal animals.

Communication and Language



This half term will increase our use of new vocabulary and continue to articulate ideas and thoughts using full sentences. We will also begin to connect our idea or action to another using a range of new connectives.

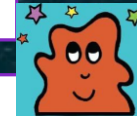
Religious Education

This half term will investigate why the word God is so important to Christians.

Physical Social and Emotional Development

This half term we focus on 'Identities and Diversity'. We will answer the questions:

- Who are the people in my class and how are we similar/different?
- What is life like in other countries?
- How do we celebrate what we believe in and how is this different for different people?



Physical Development

We will continue our daily Dough Disco to strengthen fine motor skills to support writing skill.

We will begin our weekly swimming session.

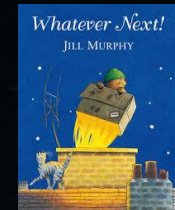


Maths



We will first begin by learning about change within 5 and then onto number bonds to 5. We will consolidate previous learning and begin to consider larger numbers.

Starry Night



This project explores the differences in the world at night compared to during the day. It teaches children about the importance of a good night's sleep and helps them to discover what is happening in the world while they are sleeping.



Expressive Arts and Design

This half term we will take time to observe our natural environment, exploring the seasonal changes and making observational drawings of plants and animals. We will also explore mixing paints to create different shades. We will mix different amounts of white paint into a colour to make lighter shades and different amounts of black to make darker shades.