

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

This half term we will think about our families and friends. We will talk about different family set ups and learn about friendships and what it means to be a good friend. During anti bullying week we will think about hurtful behaviours and how it might effect others.

Physical Development

In our PE lesson every Friday with Mr Slaney our focus will be on developing basic movement skills like throwing, catching, kicking, and dribbling through a multi sports invasion games program. Please ensure your child has their PE kit in school with appropriate footwear as sessions will be outside weather permitting.

Mathematics

This half term we will build on previous experiences of number from home and pre-school environments, and further develop our subitizing and counting skills. We will continue to explore the composition of numbers within 5 and begin to compare sets of objects and use the language of comparison. In exploring shape we will look at the properties of shapes with four sides.

Understanding the World

Over the coming weeks we will explore the marvellous machines all around us, what jobs they do and how they are powered. We will look at old machines and compare them with modern day machines as well as use a range of devices such as iPads and programmable toys in our computing sessions.



Our topic in the Hedgehog class this half term is 'Marvellous machines' It teaches children about the technology that is part of their daily lives and how machines help us.

R.E.

Our big question in RE this half term is 'Why do Christians perform nativity plays at Christmas?'. When thinking about this question we will look at the meaning behind nativity plays.

Literacy

In our phonics lessons we will continue to learn the Phase 2 sounds in the Little Wandle phonics scheme. We will reinforce that letters make sounds and that we can blend the sounds together to read words.. As we progress we will introduce more tricky words and practice reading them daily. During our English lessons we will look at signs, labels and thought bubbles as well as posters and information texts when we read 'Look up!' and 'Ning and the night spirits'

In reading sessions we will also be following the Little Wandle scheme to deliver daily group reading sessions, which we will send home for your child to share with you. During our daily story time sessions and literacy inputs we will read a range of books including 'No-bot the robot with no bottom' and 'Winnies ne computer'

Expressive Arts and Design

We kick our topic off by using some of the everyday machines we have at home to make tasty snacks and treats. We will then move on to thinking about machines with wheels and have a go at designing and making our own moving vehicles. We will also put our design skills to the test as we try our hand at making finger puppets and paper plate puppets We will also learn lots of new songs and rhymes in preparation for our nativity performance during our daily singing sessions

Forest school

During our regular Friday afternoon forest school session we will be exploring the leaves in our wonderful forest school by sorting, classifying and matching the different sorts we find. We will also have fun making dens for our teddies.