

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

This half term we will think about what is special about ourselves and others in our class as well as how we can play and work well together. We will talk about what we want to learn and set ourselves goals.

Physical Development

In our PE lesson every Friday we will be developing our agility, balance and co-ordination through a Multi Skills 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 focus on comparing two small groups of up to five objects, saying when there are the same number of objects in each group. We will match sort and compare objects based on size, capacity and mass. We will also develop our counting skills through songs and the use of real life objects in our everyday play.

R.E.

Our big question in RE this half term is 'Where do we belong?'. To help us think about this we will look at which groups some religious people belong to.

Forest school

During our regular Friday afternoon forest school session we will be exploring our wonderful forest school area, using the natural materials we find to make faces and make dens for our teddies.

Me and My Community

Our topic in the Hedgehog class this half term is 'Me and my community'. It teaches children about being helpful, kind and thoughtful at home and at school. We will also consider how the children are unique and special, the importance of friendship and how people in their family, school and local community are important and can help them.

Literacy

In our phonics lessons we will begin to learn the Phase 2 sounds in the Little Wandle phonics scheme. We will learn that letters make sounds and that we can blend the sounds together to read words. During our mark making and writing sessions we will talk about what our writing says and begin to write some of our newly learnt sounds. We will also be practicing to write our name and how to form lowercase letters correctly.

In reading we will also be following the Little Wandle scheme to deliver daily group reading sessions, starting with wordless books 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 *Where the Wild Things Are* and *We're Going to Find a Monster*.

Expressive Arts and Design

We will use a range of media to create self portraits and reflect on what we have produced. We will also explore the colours of the rainbow and how we can mix different colours to make a new colour. Our DT project will involve making picture frames and we will use it to frame our self portraits.

We will also learn lots of new songs and rhymes during our daily singing sessions.

Understanding the World

Over the coming weeks we will explore our school community as well as the local community. We will go on a walk around the village and talk about what we see. We will also welcome special visitors into school and find out how they help our community. Towards the end of the half term we will look at the changing season and signs of Autumn as we prepare for our Harvest service at the local church.