



English

Writing: In our English lessons we'll be reading and writing about the adventure story "The Minpins" by Roald Dahl. Our English work will be based upon the version illustrated by Patrick Benson whose beautiful paintings bring the story to life. We'll create character descriptions and write our own adventure stories.

Reading: The children will continue to have opportunities each week to read in small groups with an adult. In our whole class reading sessions we'll be enjoying the book "Grimwood" by Nadia Shireen.

Phonics: Year 1 will be continuing to practise reading words with the sounds that they have learned. Year 2 will use their previous phonics learning to learn new spelling patterns and rules.

New spellings will be given out each Friday for both Year 1 and Year 2 and the children will have a spelling check the following Friday. Our phonics scheme follows the "three reads" a week model however we ask that you **please aim to read with your child as often as possible at home (ideally daily)** and record this in the reading record. Children who read at least three times a week will be entered into the weekly reading raffle!

Geography: We'll be answering the big question "What is the UK's place in the world?" as we learn about the seven continents and the oceans of the world. We'll even be plotting our own journey around the world!

Design and Technology: - This term we will be looking at textiles and exploring the different ways that we can join materials. The children will be finishing the term by making their own puppet.

PE: We will be taking part in a range of activities as we learn more about athletics. Our PE sessions will help us to develop some of the skills that we'll use during our annual sports day!

Maths

Year 1: Our year 1 children will begin the term by continuing their work on time. During this half term we'll explore position and direction, money and solving problems using the skills we've learned in year 1!

Year 2: The year 2 children will begin the half term by learning how to tell the time to the nearest 5 minutes. Then, the children will describe turns and movement. We'll move on to learning about money before we finish the year with some problem solving!

Science: Our young scientists will learn more about animals including humans during this half term. We'll also spend some time learning about healthy, balanced diets, exercise and hygiene.

RE: This half term our big question is "How should we care for the world and others and why does it matter?" We'll think about what this means for Christians, Jews, Muslims and people of no faith.

PSHE: Our PSHE lessons will continue to focus on "Economic Wellbeing" before we begin thinking about our end of year transitions.

Music: During our music lessons this half term we'll have the opportunity to revisit some of the songs that we've enjoyed learning throughout the year as we continue to develop our skills as musicians!