



Curriculum Newsletter

Spring Term 1

Rabbit Class – KS1

As readers we will be learning to orally retell the story 'The Tiny Seed'. We will look at the structure of a story through creating story maps and sequencing the story. We will also be learning how to tell an exciting journey story, using the seed's adventure as it travels through its life cycle. Our phonics work will be learning set 2 and 3 letter sounds and using these to read the words in our storybooks speedily.



As Writers we will continue to write for different purposes including stories about a journey of a seed and fact files about plants. We will extend our sentences to include adjectives (describing words) and combine our sentences using words like 'and', 'because' and 'but'.

As Mathematicians we will be consolidating our knowledge of counting using 10 frames, using part whole models, finding one more and one less, recognising place value (tens and ones) in larger numbers and exploring greater than/less than/equal to using the correct mathematical symbols. We will also be learning to add and subtract.



As Scientists we will be exploring everyday materials such as wood, plastic, metal, water and rock. We will be learning the properties of these materials, exploring what uses these materials have, comparing materials and investigating how certain materials work.

As Explorers we will be learning about the very famous explorer Neil Armstrong and other significant individuals, we will be finding out all about space, the moon landing and lots of interesting facts!



As Artists and Designers we are looking closely at a piece of art by Van Gogh called 'The Starry Night', investigating the technique he used to then create a piece of art of our very own. We will also be comparing art by Van Gogh and Edvard Munch, looking at similarities and differences in the artist's work. We will be creating moving pictures using either a slider or a wheel.

As Good Citizens we will be learning to understand the importance of listening to other people, to play and work cooperatively and recognising what a good friend looks like. We will explore the ways in which people and families are unique, understanding there has never been and will never be another them.



As Theologians we will be learning that people have different beliefs and that some people follow religions and others do not. We will learn to be able to talk about our own views, whilst respecting the views of our friends.

As Athletes we will be working with our sports coach Mr Bobbin to develop our balance, agility and co-ordination, through gymnastic lessons. Our PE lessons will be on a Tuesday morning.



As Musicians we will be learning to perform The Big Bear Funk, using our voices and instruments. We will begin to develop an understanding of pitch and melody in music.

This overview is intended to give you a flavour of what we will be learning this half term. If you recognise any of this 'good learning' at home, please feel free to pop it on Class Dojo. This will help us to recognise the next steps in learning that your child needs to take.