

Welcome to the Autumn 2 newsletter which gives a brief outline of what your child will be learning and enjoying for the next half term. If you have any questions or queries, please come and see us at the MUGA at home time or you can email or call the school office.

Newsletter

Computing: We will be covering e-safety, learning about coding and creating spreadsheets in our computing lessons this half term.

Maths:

In Maths, we will be learning different methods of addition and subtraction using our Maths Scheme, 'Maths No Problem'. The children will continue to use maths equipment and pictorial representations to help them to develop their skills and to find different methods of finding solutions. We will move on to multiplication and division towards the end of the half term.

Literacy

Our literacy work this term will be based on the narrative non-fiction 'The Street Beneath my Feet' by Charlotte Guillian. We will be looking at the different elements of non-fiction and then writing our own. Later in the term we will be looking at the story 'The Secret of Black Rock' by Joe Todd Stanton. We will be using this to support our writing skills such as; speech marks, capital letters, questions and exclamation marks.

R.E:

We will continue our theme of 'Remembering' and will learn about 'Remembrance Sunday' and the significance of the poppy. We will also be learning about the Christingle celebration, and will look at the significance of Mary to the Christmas Story.

Design and Technology

We will explore drawing and sketching through the theme of 'Growing and Artists'. In this unit children will be encouraged to use simple shapes to create a variety of images.



French and Music

In **French**, the children will learn to count up to 20, learn the days of the week and words and phrases connected to school lessons.

In **Music**, we will be continuing to learn the recorder- including holding the recorder, blowing correctly and learning notes A and B. The children will use their creativity to improvise Forest sounds on their recorder.

Reading

Your child's progress in reading is the most important aspect of their learning at school. Please support us by listening to them read as often as possible at home. Some of the many benefits of being a good reader are:

- improving vocabulary and language understanding.
- improving comprehension.
- being able to empathise with others
- improving knowledge.
- improving concentration levels.
- Having a better access to the rest of the curriculum.

Children are also able to read using our online reading resource: 'Reading Plus'.

For times tables, you can also access TT Rock Stars. Your child has a login and password to enable them to practise their times tables in a fun and interactive way.

Thank you for your continued support.

Geography

We will be learning all about mountains, finding out where in the world they can be found and how they got there! We will find out if there are any mountains in the UK and how to locate them on a map.

Personal, Social and Health Education

Our Jigsaw Unit is 'Celebrating Differences'. We will discuss families, dealing with conflict and the consequences of the words we use. Through this we will be promoting our school values of kindness, respect, perseverance and resilience.

PE:

PE lessons are on **Tuesday morning and afternoon**.

During indoor PE we will be exploring interpretive dance and in outdoor PE, we will be completing 'Net/wall' which is a tennis unit.