

Reading

Phonics lessons will continue to take place every morning. Children will also have small group, adult-led guided reading sessions three days per week, during which they will develop their decoding, fluency, expression and comprehension skills.

Writing

This half term, we will be finding inspiration for our writing in different time periods. As we hop from one era to the next, we will write information in role as historical characters and use our historical knowledge to write our own Mr Benn story. We will also write news reports and write and perform our own educational song!

Mathematics

This half term we will be using a range of resources to explore multiplication and repeated addition. We will use arrays and the bar model to represent multiplication before moving on to division and sharing. We will then start to solve problems involving these two inverse operations.

Meet the Team!

Team Leader: Nikki

Teaching Staff: Whitley, Mariam, Nikki

Support Staff: Maria, Riece, Sarah

TIME MACHINE



Supporting Your Child's Learning

We will be sending home phonics words to practise reading alongside reading books in order to help children gain confidence in phonics as well as fluency in reading. Please continue to read with your child on a daily basis. We have added lots of books to the children's e-libraries for them to choose from. To build their fluency and expression, books should be read more than once. You will find questions in the back of some of the books which will help children improve their comprehension skills. Please also use the login details in your child's reading record to access

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Science

Our focus this half term will be plants and trees. We will identify and label the parts of common plants and learn to distinguish between deciduous and evergreen trees and plant and care for seeds as they grow into mature plants. We will also conduct fair tests to explore how different conditions affect the growth of plants.

History

This half term we will be travelling back in time!
We will be jumping in our time machine and travelling to the Victorian era to learn about toys from the past and how they compare with toys of today. Mr Benn will also take us back to the Stone Age to learn about ways of life and prehistoric animals.

PSHE

This half term, we will explore building positive relationships within families and friendships. We will discuss boundaries and learn what is acceptable and unacceptable. We will also explore the importance of those who care for us.

PE

Year 1 will have **Dance** on **Tuesdays** and **PE** on **Thursdays**. Please ensure that your child comes in to school wearing their PE uniform. Our PE focus for this half term is 'Net Games Using a Racket', which will cover controlling a ball with a racket around obstacles and confined spaces. Children will learn how to send a ball to a partner by bowling and batting with accuracy.

Music

The children will be creating rhythmical and melodic compositions based around super-heroes that they are going to create themselves. They will be using their accumulated knowledge on the key

words texture, tempo, pitch and dynamics to enhance their compositions.

Art

We will be exploring the world of stamping and monoprinting in the Art this term. We will be using images and objects from our local natural world as our starting point. We will be learning about the British artist Rachael Whiteread. Year 1 also have the exciting opportunity to visit the David Hockney Lightroom show later this term where they will be linking their History learning about timelines and chronolgy to art as they are surrounded by projections of his life work.









RE

In our RE lessons this half term, we will learn about Buddhism. We will explore the story of Buddha, as well as the different ways Buddhists try their best to lead a good life. Also, we will learn the importance of being selfless and caring towards others.

Dance

In dance, we will be become Superheroes and create our own dances in character using a range of body actions and dynamics.

DT

This term, we will be exploring 'mechanisms' and how to make a picture move. Specifically, we will investigate how sliders work and design and make our own moving Stone Age scenes.

Computing

This term, the children will begin to explore early programming concepts. They will use individual commands to move Bee-Bots around their own maps. After familiarising themselves with the commands, they will use their knowledge to predict the outcome of programs and de-bug, where necessary.