DT: Our focus this term is on mechanisms. Exploring how they can be used to make structures stronger, stiffer, and more stable. We will be looking at Fairground wheels and how they are built. Using a range of tools and equipment we will be having a go at designing and making our own.

Music: Music will be taught by our music teacher. He will be focussing on the beat, pulse and tempo of the music.

Art: The Children will use a range of materials creatively to design and make products. Using different textures, painting and printing. We will be looking at various artists work and how and where their artwork is displayed.

PSHE: During our 'Jigsaw' PSHE sessions we will be discussing and looking at the children's hopes for the year. We will be looking at the responsibilities the children have as a member of our class and how they can help each other and themselves to feel like they belong.

Continuing to learn listen to other people's thoughts and feelings and contribute ideas about rewards and consequences.

With the aim to make our class feel like a safe and fair environment where everyone's opinions are valued .

Homework: Homework will be sent out weekly and is topic based. As part of this, children will receive weekly spellings on a Friday (which will be tested the following Friday) Your child will also be expected to complete Times tables Rock stars and read their Little Wandle E-book.

Reading Children also need to read at least 3 times a week (minimum) and parents are expected to sign their reading diaries. Please read with your child as often as possible as this will greatly improve your child's learning in all areas of the curriculum. Please sign the reading diary when you have read with your child Thank you.

# Other Information

**Geography:** Our geographical studies will see us using world maps, atlases and globes to identify the United Kingdom and other countries. We will be learning about the Weather and the Seasons.

History: This term we will be learning all about The Great Fire of London. Children will explore how the fire started, why it spread so quickly and understand what it was like to be living in London during the fire. The children will learn how we use different sources to find out about the past, by exploring pictures and diary extracts.

Tapestry: During the term we will post important messages, information and activities relevant to our work on Tapestry. Please log on regularly as this is where you will find regular classroom updates and notices. This is also where homework and weekly phonics will be posted.

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Mrs Hunt, Mrs Timbrell ,Mis Murry, Mrs Faulkner and Mrs Nunn Squirrels

Mrs Smith, Mrs Feast, Mrs Andrews





#### **Literacy**

Reading and Writing: This term we will be

learning the skills to write a non chronological report, instruction booklet, diary entries and how to write an acrostic poem. We will of course also be focusing punctuation and sentence structure. Our Little Wandle daily phonics and reading sessions will ensure progression with both reading and writing.

<u>Spelling/Grammar</u>: Our spellings are linked to our Little Wandle learning, developing and building on the childrens independent spelling skills. We will also be learning and reviewing the common exception words for Year 2. In grammar we shall focus on the use of correct grammatical terminology in our discussions and writing.

Speaking and Listening: We will be developing our speaking skills to begin showing an awareness of the listener. This will include using detail to keep the listener interested and the importance of keeping on topic during a discussion. As listeners we will be focusing on our ability to follow up a discussion with relevant questions.

Targets: In literacy our target is to decrease reliance on 'sounding out' in common words. In numeracy our target is develop our understanding of place value and use addition and subtraction facts to 20 fluently, and derive and use related facts up to 100.

#### Numeracy

This term in Numeracy we will be learning to;

Count in steps of 2, 5 and 10 from 0, and in tens from any number, forward or backward

Read and write numbers to at least 100 in numerals and in words

Compare and order numbers from 0 up to 100; use  $\langle , \rangle$  and = signs

Recognise the place value of each digit in a two-digit number

Identify, represent and estimate numbers using different representations, including the number line

Recall and use addition and subtraction facts to 20 fluently, and derive and use related facts up to 100

Recall and use multiplication and division facts for the 2, 5 and 10 multiplication tables, including recognising odd and even numbers

Use place value and number facts to solve problem

Recall and use addition and subtraction facts to 20 fluently, and derive and use related facts up to 100

### <u>Science</u>

During this term we will be learning about Plants. After half term we will be learning about Materials and their properties.

We will also be welcoming some baby chicks to Year 2.

## PE

This term we will be learning various skills in gymnastics and Football skills.

Both classes will have their PE lessons on Wednesday & Thursdays.

Your child will change into their PE kit in class.

## Computing

We will be learning about technology in the home and learning how information technology benefits us. The children will continue to learn how to use information technology safely. We will teach the children how to open a file on the computer and move and resizing images. Later on in the term we will be looking particularly at the aspects of taking photos, zooms, angles and quality of image. The children will be looking at editing pictures. They'll be involved in discussions on how to improve photos and how to change different aspects of the photo to improve it.