PE

In P.E., we will be focusing on invasion and team games.

PE will take place on the following days:

Hedgehogs - Wednesdays & Thursdays

Squirrels - Wednesdays & Thursdays

D&T: The children will be investigating stiff and flexible materials where they will design and make things needed for a party. They will also be learning about Mechanisms and will make a Moving Monster.

Art: Our themes this term are Sculpture where children will make 3D clay houses. Through this, children will learn to develop their manipulative skills.

PSHE: During our 'Jigsaw' PSHE sessions we will be discussing and looking at the topics of 'Dreams and Goals' for the year and how to be a 'Healthy Me.'

Homework: Homework will be sent out weekly. This will alternate weekly, swapping between topic based work and maths. Children will also receive weekly spellings on a Friday (which will be tested the following week) and a Little Wandle home learning sheet. There is also an expectation to complete Times Tables Rock Stars and for children to read their Little Wandle E-book regularly.

Reading: Please read with your child as often as possible as this will greatly improve your child's learning in all areas of the curriculum and sign the reading diary three times a week.

Other Information

Geography: We will be extending our geographical knowledge to locate hot and cold countries. This will see us use world maps, atlases and globes to identify Great Britain and other countries.

Tapestry: During the term we will post important messages, information and activities relevant to our work on our e-learning platform, Tapestry.

Gardening: This term we will be getting our garden patch ready for the rest of the growing season. We will begin by planting bulbs in our allotment area and after half term, sowing and planting vegetables which we can taste later in the year. Please let us know if you are available to assist with gardening.

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Hedgehogs
Mrs Hunt, Mrs Timbrell
Miss Murray, Mrs Nunn &
Miss Faulkner

Squirrels
Mrs Smith, Mrs Feast,
Mrs Andrews





English

Reading: This term we will listen to and discuss a wide range of fiction and non-fiction stories. We will also be developing children's understanding of books through discussion. We will be focusing on children's comprehension, prosody and decoding. We will also read three times a week in our targeted Little Wandle reading group.

Writing: We will be focusing on writing stories, concentrating on ensuring that there is a clear beginning, middle and end in their writing and that adventurous vocabulary is used. We will be learning how to write a recount, looking at the various elements of poetry and persuasive writing. As always, the children will be encouraged to use tenses consistently and evaluate their writing with others and by themselves.

<u>Spelling/Grammar:</u> The focus in spelling is that of high frequency sight words, irregular words and learning new ways of spelling sounds already taught. In grammar, we will be concentrating on using the correct grammatical terminology when discussing their writing.

<u>Speaking and Listening</u>: We shall be working on using emphasis, story language and interesting vocabulary when telling stories and reciting poetry.

<u>Music:</u> We will be following the Charanga scheme where children will learn about rhythm and variety of pitch.

Maths

This term in Maths we will continue to follow the National Curriculum requirements where children will be learning to:

Count in steps of 2, 3, and 5 from 0, and in tens from any number, forward or backward.

Use place value and number facts to solve problems.

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, 3,5 and 10 multiplication tables, including recognising odd and even numbers.

To arrange objects into arrays and write the corresponding multiplication and division facts.

We will be focusing on finding different combinations of coins that equal the same amount of money. We will be solving simple problems in a practical context using money.

We will be encouraging the children to use appropriate standards of units to estimate and measure. Comparing and ordering lengths/mass etc.

Religious Education

The children will learn about the different books used at home and in school and consider the important books used in Church on Sunday by the parish family. They will think about the Eucharist and reflect on ways to give thanks to God. We will begin our Lenten Journey by focusing on our relationship with God and learning about the Easter Story.

Science

This term we will learn about Healthy Eating. This will include finding out about different food groups and how to have a balanced diet.

We will also be looking at animals, including humans where we will investigate the similarities and differences.

<u>Computing</u>: Children will be using a computer to investigate digital photography using Kindles.

<u>History:</u> This term we will be learning about The History of Transport. Our key focus will be learning about the Wright Brothers and their inventions. Children will be taught key events in the Wright Brothers lives. They will also consider the impact of their invention on our lives today.