



# This half term in Woodpeckers it is all about... ISLANDS.

This half term our theme is 'Islands', where we will be setting sail on a magical boat, hopping from island to island in a sea of curiosity!



## WHAT WILL BE LEARNED

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| Maths                   | Our learning will build on our understanding of Number, where we look at counting in 2's, 5's and 10's. We will link this to learning about multiplication and division. We will recognise and create equal groups, by sharing. We will recognise and find half of and quarter of a shape and quantities. Looking at time we will understand days of the week, months of the year and look at o'clock and half past the hour.  |
| English                 | Our ongoing writing focus will be to compose a sentence orally before writing it, sequencing sentences to form short narratives. We will re read what we have written. We will join words using the conjunctives 'and', using capital letters for proper nouns and the personal pronoun I. We will continue with learning our tricky words alongside phonics. We will look at punctuate sentences using a capital letters and a full stop, question mark or exclamation mark. We will continue to use pre cursive handwriting. |
| Science<br>Plants       | We will observe, identify, compare, classify and describe UK plants. We will become familiar with different types of plants, including wild plants, garden plants and trees. We will use the terms 'deciduous', 'evergreen', 'leaves', 'stem', 'flower', 'blossom' and many more to describe a wide variety of plants. As part of our investigative science we will observe how plants change over time, all through a variety of fun activities.  |
| Geography               | We will visit oceans, seas, continents and countries. Woodpeckers will find out about different human and physical features of our seas and coasts. They will also learn about jobs and resources that are linked to the sea.  |
| History                 | We will look at the life of Grace Darling and asking questions about her life and investigating what made her famous. We will have a visit from the RNLI to understand the history of the RNLI and learn about water safety.   |
| Design & Technology     | We will investigate different mechanisms to create a moving picture. We will look at using levers and sliders to help animate a picture. As part of our outside learning we will also carry out a variety of STEM activities linked to our learning.   |
| PE                      | Games sessions will build on striking and fielding and invasion games. Athletics sessions will also help us prepare for Sports Day!  |
| French                  | We will continue to build on the basic understanding of the French language. Looking at topics such as greetings, numbers and colours.   |
| Computing<br>iDraw      | In this unit children will explore and develop skills using digital tools to create and edit graphical art.  |
| PSHE/No outsiders & RSE | No Outsiders day themes, focus on difference, acceptance and equality. RSE we will be learning about Christian celebrations. Asking and answering the question... 'How does celebrating Pentecost remind Christians that God is with them always?  |
| Music                   | We will continue to learn the recorder, where we will play to a rhythm and compose short pieces of music.  |

## IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- Please send your child in with a coat everyday as we go outside no matter what the weather is.
- Please remember to label all your child's clothing with their name.
- Ensure your child's PK kit is in school and is weather appropriate for lessons outside.
- Please do not send your child into school wearing jewellery. Small stud earrings can be worn but must be removed for PE.
- Don't forget to send your child into school with a water bottle.

## USEFUL WEBSITES

- BBC Bitesize  
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zjxhfg8>
- ICT Games

## DATES TO REMEMBER

- PE will be on a Wednesday and Thursday.
- Library day is on a Wednesday.
- Book change day is highlighted on the first page in your child's Reading Records.
- No Outsiders Day 29th April
- VE Day 8th May
- Look and share 20th May 3:30-4:00 and 21st May 8:30-9:00
- Half Term 26th-30th May

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