

This half term in Woodpeckers

OVERALL LEARNING THEME

A warm welcome to Woodpeckers! I hope that you all had a wonderful Summer and are now ready for all the fun that we have planned for the first half of the Autumn Term. This half term our theme is **'Home Sweet Home'**. Have a look at the outline of the learning we have planned for this half term.

WHAT WILL BE LEARNED

Maths Number	Our Maths learning will focus on Number. We will look at place value within 10. We will sort, compare and order numbers. We will look at understanding one more and one less and comparative language. We will then use these foundations to look at Addition and Subtraction with 10.
English	In English we will be looking a different fiction and non fiction themed texts based around houses. We will look at the story of The Three Little Pigs and seeing if we can retell using actions. We will learn to label diagrams and write descriptive sentences.
Science Everyday Materials	Through our learning we will be working scientifically to sort objects into groups based on the materials they are made from. We will recognise the difference between objects and materials, describing the properties of materials and grouping materials based on their properties. We will be making observations and recording data, as we learn how to plan a test.
Geography	We will be investigating our local area and comparing it with London. We will look at human and physical features. Looking at maps and symbols to help us learn about communicating geographically.
History	Linked with our Geography learning we will be looking at how houses have changed through time. We will be investigating and interpreting the past and using chronology.
Design & Technology	In DT this term we will be investigating windmills. We will investigate how to make strong bases and sails to help design our own windmill.
PE	In P.E the games sessions will be based around striking and fielding and invasion games and Yoga will happen on a Friday.
French	In French Woodpeckers will be continue to be introduced to the basic understanding of the French language. This will include looking at topics such as greetings, introducing ourselves, numbers, colours and our family.
Computing	We will be learning about texts and how we can produce texts in different ways and for different purposes. We will begin to look at how to word process, practicing our keyboard skills.
PSHE/No outsiders RSE	We will be looking at school routines and friendships and will also have No Outsiders day themes. In RSE we will be learning about Christianity and belonging.
Music	This term we are lucky enough to be taught Music by Mrs Bishton a Music specialist.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- 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, already applied sunscreen and with a summer hat.

USEFUL WEBSITES

- Google Earth
- Phonics Play
<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk>
- Topmarks
<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/5-7-years/counting>

DATES TO REMEBER

- PE will be on a Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.
- Library day is on a Tuesday.
- Book change day is highlighted on the first page in your child's Reading Records.
- **Keys to Success Meetings Thursday 12th January 9:15-9:45 and 2:45-3:15.**
- Half term is week beginning 28th October.

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