

Maths

In maths this half term we will continue to explore shapes and patterns before looking at measuring length, height and weight. A key aspect of our studies will be to develop the language of measurement. We will move from using visual comparison of objects to using units such as meters and centimetres. Children will be given opportunities to use measuring tools such as a rulers, tape measures and scales to further their understanding.

English

Writing: This half term we will be writing sentences which contain consistent capital letters, finger spaces and full stops. Children will also be adding adjectives into their written work. They will explore different genres of writing such as a three part story and a report, inspired by engaging texts, in order to develop the skills to produce their own pieces of writing.

Phonics/Reading: We are continuing to use our Read Write Scheme to deliver our daily phonics sessions. We will focus on consolidating our knowledge of set 2 and 3 sounds and applying them into reading and spelling. Children will then be introduced to an addition set (4) of sounds and learn to apply them. There will also be daily opportunities for children to read and enjoy a range of stories and poems during story time.



Science

Our science this term focuses on 'animals and humans'. We will begin by naming all of the body parts of a human and exploring the five senses a human has. Children will participate in investigations using their own senses to discover the importance of each. They will then compare their senses to the senses of a range of animals. Throughout the topic, they will work as scientists to ask and answer questions whilst using scientific vocabulary.

Topic

Our geography topic, Bright Lights, Big City continues after half term. We have already been learning all about England's capital city including its transport and famous landmarks. We will continue to develop our knowledge of London and significant events in its history such as the Great Fire of London. Throughout our studies, we will be developing our map work skills.

RE

In RE the children will spend time learning about the beliefs and values of Christians at this important time of year, Easter.

DT

In our project, 'Taxi' the children have already learnt about axles, wheels and chassis and how they work together to make a vehicle move. After half term, we will use this knowledge to make our very own London Taxi in class!

Music

Our music sessions this half term will focus on the song 'Round and Round', a Latin style song. As well as learning to sing, play, improvise and compose with this song, children will listen and appraise other styles of music.

PE

Our PE day this half term will continue to be **Friday** and the focus of the sessions will be Gymnastics. PE kits should be worn for school on this day. Please leave a pair of trainers in school for access to the woodland village day which is currently **Thursday/Friday**.

Home

Homework: Homework is set every **Friday** This must be completed by the following **Wednesday**.

Spelling: Spellings are set every **Friday** and will be based on our current phonics learning. They can be found in the reading record and homework books. The children will be tested on them the following Friday.

Reading: Your children reading book (book bag book) **MUST** be returned to school on **Wednesday** in order for it to be changed and returned to you on Friday. Children should read at least four times a week for ten minutes at home. This should be recorded in the reading record for me to see. A charge will incur for missing books.

Children will also bring home a library book of their choice which is intended for you to share and enjoy with your child – they are not expected to read this alone.



A Note from the Teacher

What a great start to 2022!

The children have worked incredibly hard this half term. They are thoroughly enjoying learning all about London in our topic Bright Lights, Big City. We have already found out about life in London, identified famous landmarks and learnt all about significant people who live in London such as Queen Elizabeth. After creating some fantastic vehicles at home, the children can't wait to make their very own London taxi in school after half term!

I hope you all have a lovely break next week,

Miss Hutchinson

If you have any concerns or questions, please contact me via the admin email address or call the office to speak to me.

Curriculum Information
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Bright Lights,
Big City