



What will your child be learning this half term?

Phonics-

In class, children will be looking at our set 2 sounds.

Groups and phonics books are set accordingly to ability.



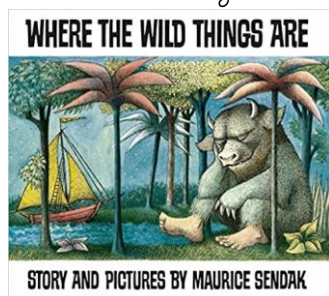
Religious Education (R.E.) -

Sharing in Jesus' life- This unit is designed to develop the children's knowledge and understanding of the way in which, as Christians, we are called to share in the life of Jesus. The unit focuses on Jesus choosing and calling the disciples and how they are an example to us of what it means to be a disciple or follower of Jesus and share in his life.

Following Jesus- This unit is designed to develop the children's knowledge and understanding of what it means to follow Jesus today. The unit develops the children's understanding of how, as followers of Jesus, we belong to the Church and the different ways that the Church, and the different members of it, follow Jesus.

Writing

This half term, we will be writing a character description based on Max in Where the Wild Things are. Then, children will be writing a diary entry as if they were Max from the story. The children will then have a media stimulus which is called The Bridge.



Maths -

- ✓ Overview of year- this includes addition, subtraction, division, times tables and time.
- ✓ Mass- using balancing scales, the children will have a look to see what weights more and why.
- ✓ Space and positions- the children will learning their left and right turns using dance, outdoor activities and robots.

Spelling, Punctuation & Grammar -

Mental Maths -

- ✓ Numbers to 10 (counting forwards and backwards)

• This half term, we will be focusing on our capital letters, full stops, adjectives and conjunctions. • Conjunctions- and, but, so and because. Children are able to recall their conjunctions using the 'conjunction' song we have learnt at school. • Adjectives- words to describe nouns. • Suffixes and prefixes will be a focus this term to solidify learning.	✓ Number bonds within 10 and to 10. ✓ Counting to 40 ✓ Counting in 10, 2 and 5. ✓ Fractions $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{4}$ and wholes.
History In History, the children will be learning about our Local Area: Darlaston. The children will look at Darlaston past and present. Also, the children will compare what differences there is now compared to in the past. Children will also be looking at famous people from Darlaston such as Jorga Smith and Eva Abley. We will also be going to Walsall Leather Museum for this unit of work.	Science - Sound Sound is a fascinating topic that can captivate the curiosity of 6-year-olds. It introduces them to the fundamental concept of how we perceive and interact with the world through the sense of hearing. We will be exploring sound through workshops, instruments and our own vocal chords.
Physical Education (P.E.) Children will need their PE kit in school on Monday and Thursday. In PE, the children will be looking at tennis with Mr Davies.	

Personal, Social & Health Education (PSHE) - ✓ LTTF: Created to love others - Religious Understanding. LTTF: Created to love others - Personal relationships and British Values. ✓ We will also be looking at safety. We will be discussing good and bad secrets, people who can help us in emergencies and we will be reflecting on the importance of saying sorry. ✓ We will also be reminding ourselves of our online safety and ways to stay safe online.	Music- Cross-curricular links to art/technology in the form of making a music programme. A range of World Music instruments will be used. The children also have a sound workshop booked for this unit of learning.
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✓ We will be reminding ourselves what the word 'inclusive' means and celebrating our differences.	
Computing - ✓ Online safety- how we stay safe on the internet. ✓ This unit introduces learners to on-screen programming through Scratch Jr. Learners will explore the way a project looks by investigating sprites and backgrounds. They will use programming blocks to use, modify, and create programs. Learners will also be introduced to the early stages of program design through the introduction of algorithms.	

Other Important Information
Homework in Year 1 • Children are expected to read every day for 15 - 20 minutes - please sign your child's planner to show that this has been completed. • Spellings will be stuck into planners and shared on the class page of the school website. Please help your child to learn these spellings at home. Spelling tests will take place on Friday's each week. • Mental Maths - counting to 100, addition to 100 and subtraction within 100. <i>If you have any questions or concerns, please speak to one of us at the end of the school day or contact the school office to make an appointment- we are here to help.</i> <i>Miss Perry and Miss Kempson</i>

