

The main focus for learning this term will be:

A book focus, 'The Nowhere Emporium' by Ross MacKenzie and the STEM topic: body systems.

Literacy

Writing

Our main focus for writing this term will be writing an exposition.

The language features the children will be learning to write this will be revisiting nouns, adjectives, pronouns and time and sequence words. They will be learning about present tense verbs, adverbs, adverbial phrases and sensing verbs.

To improve spelling, children will continue learning spelling rules to help them tackle unfamiliar words. We will also continue to work on common words that often do not follow set spelling rules.

Reading

The book focus for this term will be 'The Nowhere Emporium'. The children will be doing a variety of activities to help them understand the text and extend their emotional vocabulary. These sessions will be teacher led and the focus will be to help the children to develop their comprehension skills and their higher order thinking skills. The children will also be reading and discussing a wide range of persuasive texts and adverts.

Listening and Talking

This term the children will be continuing to working on their listening skills. These skills will be further developed through collaborative group work across a range of curricular areas.

Numeracy / Maths

Numeracy

We will continue to have a daily focus on mental maths through our Maths Talks. This involves developing and sharing mental maths strategies, and the associated language, to solve a mental maths problem. Our focus for Maths Talks this term will be on subtraction strategies.

Maths

Children will continue to develop their skills in number and number processes. As well as learning mental maths strategies for subtraction they will be subtracting using the standard written method. They will also be multiplying and dividing numbers by 10, 100 and 1000.

Health and Wellbeing

In health and well being this term they will be continuing with the Emotion works programme to further develop their emotional literacy to enable them to identify triggers which prompt feelings.

In PE this term the children will be further developing their skills in badminton.

Interdisciplinary Learning

Interdisciplinary Learning this term will be our book focus 'The Nowhere Emporium' by Ross MacKenzie and the STEM topic: body systems.

For the book focus the children will be further developing their skills in literacy and expressive arts (art and drama). The children will be developing their art skills by having the opportunity to choose and explore a range of media to create images. In drama they will be creating and adapting different roles related to 'The Nowhere Emporium' where they will be experimenting with movement, expression and voice.

In addition, we will have an interdisciplinary learning on body systems. The children will be exploring the role each of the senses play in keeping them safe. They will also be learning about the structure of the eye and the ear. They will be developing their skills in literacy, science and technology.

Discrete subjects

Music

The children will be further developing their skills in singing as they practise Christmas songs.

Technology: The children will be learning how to stay safe and secure when they are online. They will also be following the progress of COP 26 in Glasgow. Linked to this they will be looking at how our lifestyles can impact



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on the environment and the Earth's resources and they will be taking part in discussions of how to live in a more sustainable way.

RME: This term the children will be learning more about Christmas and Advent.

Other information

PE

Our PE days this term will be **Thursday** and **Friday**. Please ensure that your child comes into school dressed in clothes suitable for PE on these days. During PE, jewellery should not be worn and long hair should be tied back.

Homework

The term 2 homework learning board will be put up in the P5 Teams. The children have a jotter in their bag for them to complete their homework tasks in and they can then take a photo of their work and upload it into their individual homework folders on Teams.

The children can use Sumdog at home to practise their times table. Regular practice will help improve their speed and accuracy with times tables, which will help them in all areas of maths.