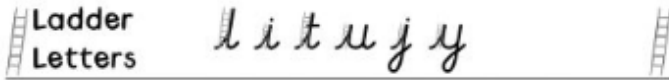


# ENGLISH

## Handwriting:

This half term we will be focusing on the long ladder family in our handwriting sessions.



## Writing:

We will be using our phonic knowledge to write words independently. We will be focusing on using a capital letter at the start of each sentence, finger spaces between each word and a full stop.

## Phonics/Spellings:

This half term we will be concentrating on the following sounds:

ay, ou, ie, ea, oy, ir, ue, aw, wh, ph, ew and oe.

We will also be revising the sounds we learned in Reception.

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# SCIENCE

Our science topic this half term is:

## Seasonal Changes

We will be looking the different seasons with a particular focus on Autumn and Winter. We will investigate different weather patterns and how day length varies depending on the season.

### Key Vocabulary:

Season  
Autumn  
Winter  
Weather  
Daylight

# MATHS

Our first Maths topic is:

## Place Value

In Maths we will be learning to count objects reliably, read number words, count on from a number, say 1 more, count back from a number and say 1 less. We will also learn about the greater than  $>$ , less than  $<$  and equal to  $=$  signs. We will then move on to learning about parts and wholes linked to addition and subtraction, writing number sentences and fact families and recalling number bonds for numbers within and including 10.

### Mastering Number:

We will continue to develop our fluency with number using mastering number sessions 4 times a week. These sessions help to secure children's understanding of number while developing their reasoning skills and allowing them to think more flexibly about number - making links and using our intimate knowledge of smaller numbers to help find facts for larger numbers/unknown problems.

Our Value this half term is:

**Respect**

In P.E we are focusing on ball skills and developing our coordination. We will also be working on our teamwork and communication skills.



In History we are learning about Remembrance. The children will be able to reflect on their own memories and think about the meaning of symbols, in particular the Remembrance Day poppy. They will explore the ways that Remembrance Day is marked in Britain and in other countries.



In Art our unit is "Drawing - Make your mark". We will be learning about different types of lines and use the correct vocabulary to describe them.

We will experiment with a range of mark-making techniques as well as different media and colours to create different effects.

We will then use our observational skills and knowledge of line to produce a still life drawing.

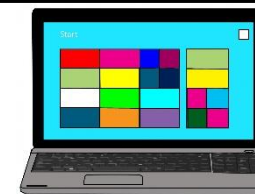


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In PSHE our topic is Families and Relationships. We will be thinking about our families and that all families are different. We will discuss what makes a good friend and how we can overcome problems with our friends. We will consider how people show how they are feeling and identify ways to respond to this.

In Computing, we will use the software Purple Mash. We will use our own logins and learn how to access and save our work. We will also learn about the different icons and understand what they mean. We will be learning about online safety including creating our own avatars.



**Trick Box - Big Voice**  
I can do it!

In RE we will be focussing on the question:  
**Why do Christians call God 'Creator'?**  
We will learn about the Biblical creation story and God as 'creator' of the world and in other parts of the Bible. We will then be thinking about the celebration of Harvest.

In Music our unit is "Musical Vocabulary". We will learn about pulse, tempo and timbre and learn to respond to dynamic changes in a piece of music. We will create pitches and rhythms and perform a layer of music within an overall piece.

