Our value for this half term is: happiness

PSHE

In PSHE our topic is Safety and the changing body. Children will revist and develop their understanding of how to stay safe online. We will also be learning the proper names for the parts of the body, the PANTS rule, the difference between secrets and surprises and road safety.

Art

In Art our unit is "Sculpture - clay". This unit involves the children investigating what we can do with clay and how it can be manipulated - rolled, squashed, cut etc. The children will create pinch pots and use "slip" to add decoration. They will also create 'house tiles' which they will decorate using the different techniques we have investigated.

Trick Box - Big no
Sometimes it is ok to say
"No"



Music

In Music our unit is "Animals - Call and response". The children will experiment with making different sounds with the same instrument. They will work as part of a group to perform a composition demonstrating their understanding of call and response.

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Computing

In Computing, we will learning about how spreadsheets can be used to store and present data. We will be using spreadsheets to make calculations using pictorial representations such as coins as well as numbers. We will also be able to select, highlight and change the colour to cells in the spreadsheet.

Geography

In Geography we will be learning about Kenya and the similarities and differences there are between Kenya and where we live.

We will think about the physical landscape as well as the climate.
Children will learn about the Maasi people and what is important to them as well as thinking about how our lives are different to theirs and why.

RE



In RE we will be focussing on the question:

Why do Christians call Jesus 'saviour'? Children will look at stories in the bible and what they tell us about Jesus. We will also discuss what being a saviour means and if forgiveness is also a type of rescue.

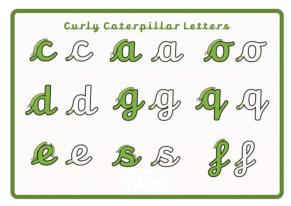
PE

Our P.E. unit is "Gymnastics". Children will develop their balancing skills along with making and holding shapes in a controlled manner when travelling on and around equipment.

English

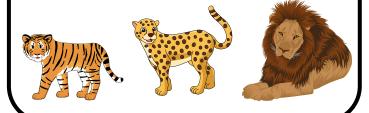
Handwriting:

This half term we will be focusing on the curly caterpillar family in our handwriting sessions.



Writing:

This half term we will focus on non-fiction writing. We will be learning how to write a non-chronological report about 'Big Cats'. We will use a text about tigers as a model, practise with writing about cheetahs and then research and write independently about Lions





Home learning

Our home learning this half term will be focussing on handwriting and spelling. These are the two weakest areas for the children and they will benefit from as much extra practise as possible. Children are being encouraged to think about the size of their letters to make sure that they are not too small or too large. They need to make sure that they are forming the letters accurately and that all the letters sit on the line. Each week will be a different letter of the alphabet (in order) and the words given for them to practise will be words that contain the focus letter and are commonly mis-pelt or Year 2 common exception words.

Maths

Our next Maths topic is:

Money

We will start by ensuring the children can identify the different coins and notes that are used in the U.K. They will use their knowledge of counting in 2s, 5s and 10s to help them count amounts in pence and pounds. Children will find totals of mixed coins and notes and then use their addition and subtraction knowledge to help them find the total cost of items, the difference between the cost of two items and how much change they would get if they paid with a certain amount.



