

Our value for this half term is: happiness

PSHE

In PSHE our topic is Economic Wellbeing. We are thinking about where money comes from, the differences between wants and needs and how bank accounts work.



Art

In Art our unit is "Drawing - understanding tone and texture" We will explore the different effects that can be made with different drawing materials such as chalks, charcoal, pastels and pencils. We will then investigate different textures and how they can be put together to create a piece of art. We will then develop our understanding of tone and how to apply this to our art.



Trick Box - Big no

Sometimes it is ok to say
"No"



Music

In Music our unit is "Singing - on this island". We are learning some British folk songs that represent different areas of the UK - the coast, the countryside and the city. We are thinking about the different sounds that can be found in each location and how we can imitate these using our voices.



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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

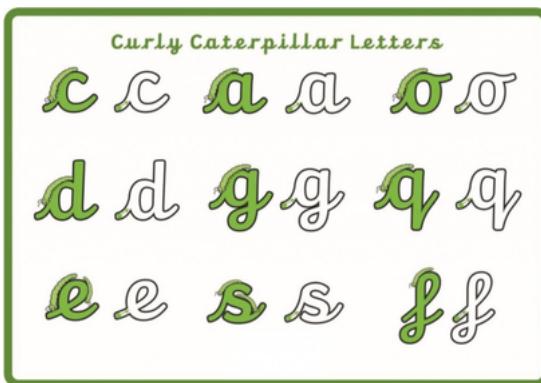
Our P.E. unit is "Dance". We have been using the cold weather as inspiration for creating dances about Jack Frost. We have practised counting to keep in time and used mirroring and matching techniques.



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 descriptive writing. We will use our knowledge of noun phrases to help us create detailed descriptions of events/places and characters. We are trying to develop our vocabulary choices so that the images we create for the reader are clearer e.g. using enormous instead of big.



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Science

Our topic for this half term is "Uses of everyday materials". We will be recapping our knowledge of materials from last year and then building on this to identify what makes a material suitable for a particular job. We will investigate what happens to materials when forces are applied to them such as: twisting, stretching, bending and squashing. We will also think about how some items e.g. spoons can be made out of different materials and why this might be. We will also look at items that are made out of more than one material.

Maths

Our next Maths topic is:

2D and 3D Shapes

Once the children are confident with naming and identifying common 2D and 3D shapes we will look at their properties - vertices, faces, edges, lines of symmetry etc. We will practise describing shapes and then sorting/grouping them according to their properties e.g. Less than 5 faces / 5 faces or more. We will also make patterns using the shapes.

