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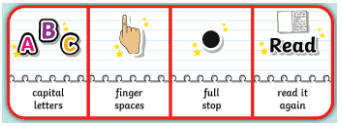
English



We will be reading and responding to books by the author Julia Donaldson. We will write book reviews and letters to the author and will write missing posters to help the monkey in 'Monkey Puzzle' find his mum. Then, we will write adventure stories and work hard to edit and publish these, adding our own illustrations.

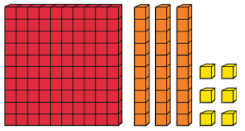
We will continue to develop our sentence writing skills by including conjunctions and noun phrases in our writing. We will encourage children to use phonic knowledge and focus on the accurate use of capital letters, full stops and commas.

PSHE

In PSHE, we will think about our mental health and wellbeing. We will learn what the terms mental health and wellbeing mean and discuss how we can support and improve our own mental health and wellbeing at home and at school.

After this, we will be thinking about equality in our school and wider community. We will think about what equality means and discuss how we can make sure everyone is treated fairly and with respect.

Maths



Our maths work will be based on our individual knowledge and level of understanding. We will all look at units of measure and use our Place Value knowledge to understand processes. Some of us will make the connection between repeated addition and multiplication by recognising equal groups and learn times table facts for the 2, 5 and 10 times tables.

Science

This half term we will be learning about animals, including humans. We will be researching, investigating and learning about: animal skeletons; human skeletons; nutrition and food labels; muscles and organs.

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Geography

We will be learning all about The Chinese New Year, the Chinese culture and traditions. We will end with celebrating Chinese New year with a Chinese banquet prepared by the children and eaten together as a whole school.

Art

In art, we will think about the characters and scenes in our English stories. We will use Axel Scheffler's illustrations to inspire us as we develop our own story illustrations.

Computing

In Computing, we will be learning all about online safety. We will learn about our digital footprints, the dangers of chatting to people online and how to keep ourselves safe online. We will learn what to do if people are acting unsafe online.

PE

In P.E we will be learning the skills needed for invasion games such as football, basketball and netball. We will learn how to mark, pass, defend, attack and score.

How can you help at home?

- Help me learn my times tables or basic number facts, e.g. number bonds to 10, 20 and 100.
- Encourage me to use my knife and fork correctly and be more independent with personal hygiene and self-care.
- Encourage me to help you cook dinner, clear up and tidy away.
- Read regularly together and ask me questions on the text.
- Identify different types of punctuation used in the text you are reading. ? , ! ( )
- Talk to me about what I am learning in school
- Talk to me about my chimp and how my thinking brain can help me when I am struggling to manage.