

English

The children will have daily phonics and handwriting sessions, following the Little Wandle phonics scheme. They will also take part in two small-group reading sessions each week.

This half term in English, we will be developing our writing through two exciting units. We will begin by exploring instruction writing, using *The Disgusting Sandwich* as our inspiration. The children will learn how to use commands, present tense verbs, expanded noun phrases and commas in lists before planning, writing and evaluating their own instructions for a revolting creation!

We will then move on to narrative writing, inspired by *Lubna and Pebble*. The children will explore how stories are structured and develop their use of the past tense, conjunctions such as and, but and or, expanded noun phrases and accurate sentence punctuation. They will then plan, write, edit and publish their own story, with a focus on writing to entertain the reader.

Science

This half term in Science, our Plant Growth unit will explore how plants grow and what they need to survive. The children will investigate seeds and germination, learning what seeds need to germinate and what plants need to grow. They will carry out practical investigations, make predictions and observations, and explore how we can measure plant growth. We will also learn about bulbs, fruits and vegetables, including where and how they grow.

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Geography

This half term in Geography, our Mini Mappers unit will develop the children's understanding of maps and their local area. They will learn to use the four compass points, explore scale, draw routes and use map symbols and keys. The children will also take part in fieldwork, collecting and recording information before drawing simple conclusions from their findings.

Maths

The children will take part in a maths lesson every day, as well as Mastering Number sessions four times a week. Mastering Number is a short, focused session designed to develop children's fluency and confidence with number. It helps them to develop a secure understanding of number relationships and become increasingly quick and flexible with key number facts.

This half term, we will begin by exploring numbers from 10–100, developing the children's understanding of tens and ones, place value, counting, number lines and comparing and partitioning two-digit numbers. We will then move on to calculations within 20, where children will develop efficient strategies for addition and subtraction, including adding three numbers, bridging through 10 and finding the difference. Finally, we will focus on fluently adding and subtracting within 10, giving children opportunities to practise and apply their addition and subtraction strategies so that key number facts can be recalled confidently and efficiently.

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Who is a Muslim and how do they live?

Art

This half term in Art, the children will explore our school through photography, texture and pattern. They will develop their printmaking skills and work together to create a collaborative artwork inspired by the school environment.

Computing

This half term in Computing, the children will explore how information technology (IT) is used in everyday life, including in homes, shops, libraries and hospitals. They will also learn how to use technology responsibly and make safe, sensible choices when using it.

PE

Tuesday- Fundamental skills.

Wednesday- Makaton Dance

Music

This half term in Music, the children will explore South African music through *Hands, Feet, Heart*, developing their skills in singing, playing instruments, improvising, composing and listening and appraising.

PSHE

This half term in PSHE, the children will explore how we are the same and how we are different. They will learn to celebrate differences and develop respect and empathy towards others.