



Acorns Class

Autumn 1

Christian Value: Friendship

British Value: Democracy

Reminders

PE will be on Monday and Wednesday (when not Forest Schools). Children should bring their kits in to get changed in school.

Forest School will take place on Wednesday 24th September and Wednesday 15th October. Please ensure your child comes into school in appropriate clothing on these dates: long-sleeved top, full-length trousers, wellies or appropriate footwear and a lightweight jacket.

Homework will be sent out on Friday, focusing on spelling and recall facts. We ask that you try to hear your child read aloud four times a week. They will also bring home a sharing book which is to enjoy with an adult or older sibling.

Class Dojo is for non-urgent queries and will be checked regularly. Please report absence to the school office.

Writing (Year 1 and 2)

This half term, Year 1 will be writing sentences to match pictures to create a setting description based on the story 'Lost and Found.'

Year 2 will be writing a sequence of sentences to create a setting description.

Year 1 will then write simple instructions about something they know well whilst Year 2 write a set of instructions using appropriate language.

Maths (Year 1 and 2)

This half term, children will be learning about the place value of numbers within 20 and 100, and how to add and subtract numbers within 20.

Year 1 will explore through provision and concrete resources whilst Year 2 develop mental strategies.

Reading

Talk Through Stories (Reception/Year 1):

The Owl Who Was Afraid Of The Dark
The Scarecrow's Wedding

Whole class reading (Year 1 and 2):

The Day The Crayons Quit
Non Fiction - Antarctica
Poem - Performing Penguins

Phonics (Reception and Year 1)

We teach phonics using Little Wandle Letters and Sounds.

Reception this half term will be learning to recognise and blend with Phase 2 phonemes such as s, a, t, p. They will practice forming these sounds within the provision as they practice their name and begin to label.

Year 1 this half term will be reviewing all taught phonemes so far. They will begin to recognise, and blend Phase 5 phonemes and will write words and sentences containing these. Phase 5 includes alternate spellings for familiar sounds such as ay making ai.

Mastering Number

Mastering Number supports children's mathematical recall and fluency. In KS1, this is in addition to their daily Maths lesson.

Reception will develop their subitising and counting skills. They will explore the composition of numbers within 5. They will begin to compare sets of objects with taught vocabulary.

Year 1 will continue to explore the composition of numbers within 10, and the position of these numbers in the linear number system.

Year 2 will recall number bonds within 10; they will recap the composition of the numbers 11 to 20 and reason about their position within the linear number system.

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Foundation subjects (Year 1 and 2)

Science: Animals (including humans)-
basic needs and growth

RE: What does it mean to belong to a
faith community?

History: Who was Captain Cook?

PSHE: Health and Acceptance

Art: Self portraits inspired by early
Picasso.

Music: Exploring Mozart Rollo alla
Tundra

Computing: Technology all around us.

PE: Fitness and Movement - learning to
negotiate space safely and using our
bodies.

Skill development in Reception

Prime areas:

We will focus on Communication and
Language through interactions with peers,
games and rhymes and speaking in groups.
Children will develop Personal Social and
Emotional skills as they create relationships in
the classroom and learn to manage their own
needs and routine. They will improve physical
development with Dough Disco, threading and
building. They will also begin to climb, crawl
and run within outdoor provision.

Specific areas

Children will hear about Captain Cook with KS1
and lead us on their own enquiries of explorers
and the world they discover. They will look at
Kadinsky's work as they learn about colour
mixing in Expressive Arts and Design. Children
will develop their own interests through play
based on learning with KS1.

Key dates

On Monday 22nd September at 3.30pm, we will be holding our Phonics
information evening. We strongly encourage families of children in Reception
and Year 1 to attend this event in order to understand how to support early
reading and writing at home. Please look out for this event on ParentPay to
confirm your attendance.

Don't forget to check the Headteacher newsletter for other key dates!

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