



# Curriculum Information

Our topic for Term 5 is “India”. We are now looking at a country with a much warmer climate. We will be using the traditional tale of Pattan’s Pumpkin as a springboard to find out about the diversity of environments found there. We will also be linking this to germination, growing plants and discovering what different parts of the plant do.

## English

The children will explore a range of fiction and non-fiction texts through Drawing Club this term. The emphasis has now moved to writing from a given picture. The passcodes often include letter formation and correctly spelling days of the week and months of the year.

**Key Vocabulary:** capital letters, nouns, adjectives, commas, exclamation marks, question marks, narrative.

Each week, we introduce vocabulary linked to Drawing Club texts. We now ask children to orally put these words into a sentence in partner work.

## Reading

The children will continue developing their reading skills through our phonics programme, Read Write Inc. Most children will be focusing on learning 2 sounds a week.

Please help us by encouraging your child to read everyday as part of your daily routine.

## Mathematics

This term, the children will be focusing on quick recall and manipulation of known facts. We will be using bonds to 10 to know bonds to 20, looking at patterns of adding 1 or 2 to any given number and the relationship of this with odds and evens. This will be supported by practical exploration and visual representations.

**Key Vocabulary:** part, part whole model, bar model, difference, subtrahend, addend, sum, word problems (first, then, now).

## Science

In Science, we will be planting peas and watching them germinate. We will be labelling and finding out the function of different parts of the plant.

**Key Vocabulary:** leaf, root, shoot, germinate, flower, seed, heat, light, water, soil.

We will be visiting the woods on Tuesday 6th May

## Music

This term we will be continuing with our Charanga music programme and working on following notes to play along to songs. We will also be learning an Indian lullaby .

## History

We will be learning about the Chipko movement, where a group of brave women prevented deforestation, near their village, by hugging trees.

**Key Vocabulary:** black and white photograph, deforestation, loggers, government, impact.

## Geography

We will be studying the natural and man made geography of India and looking at how diverse the country is.

We will do this through looking at photographs, using Google Earth and looking at books in Drawing Club.

**Key Vocabulary:** city, village, rural, mountains, rivers, jungles, coast, natural, man made.

## Art&DT

In Art we will be mixing secondary colours and using these to paint a butternut squash, leaves and flowers.

In DT, we will be making healthy biscuits out of butternut squash and carrots and comparing the taste.

## PE

In PE this term we will be doing an

athletics module and learning skills for target games (tennis, rounders).

PE days are Mondays and Thursdays.

## RE

This term we are continuing to learn about Judaism. We will be finding out how different Jewish people celebrate Shabbat and having a visit from a Rabbi!

**Key Vocabulary:** Jewish, Judaism, religion, belief, Shema, Torah, Synagogue, challah, kiddush cup, havdallah candle.

## Computing

In computing we will be programming robots. The children always love using our cute little Beebots. They will learn to give them a sequence of commands to perform different tasks.

**Key vocabulary:** command, forward, backward, right, left, clear, go, sequence, program.

## PSHE

Through the SCARF programme, we will be thinking about how we develop new skills as we grow and how we need to practice things to get better at them. We will also be looking at good and bad touches and how to tell a friend you don't like something they have done.

## Whole Child Objectives

**Social:** To be able to ask a group of children to join in.

**Emotional:** To understand we need to persevere when we find something hard.

**Thinking:** To look after property belonging to the class.