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Pathway to Excellence

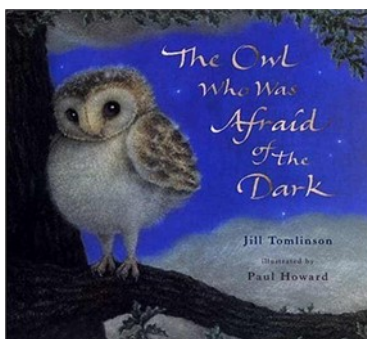
Year 2 Curriculum Newsletter

Summer 2 2024



English

As part of our topic, we will look at a range of books about woodland and gardens. Our main focus will be story writing based on the book *The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark*



In addition to this, children will continue to have regular spelling lessons and reading sessions.

We will also have regular handwriting sessions joining letters. They are not expected to join every letter in a word. This will not be encouraged.

Science

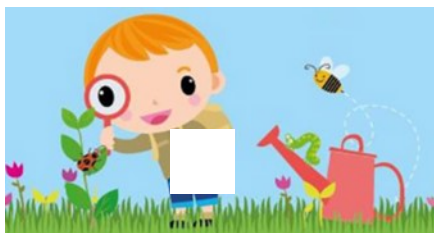
The children will continue to learn about animals and living things in our school environment. We will explore the environment around us, including the school pond. Also, we will look at how animals including humans, grow and change.



Welcome Back! I hope you have had a restful half term break.

This term we hope to do some outdoor learning linked to our Science topic. We will become nature detectives looking at the environment around us and our school pond.

Summer 2: Detecting Nature



Weekly schedules:

Swimming is on a Tuesday. PE is on a Friday.

Golden Time is on a Friday.

Library is on a Wednesday.

Reading books will be collected in on a Friday and new books given on a Monday.

Show and Tell Timetable

7/6/24 – Mentmore

14/6/24 – Ascott

21/6/24 – Claydon

28/6/24 – no show and tell

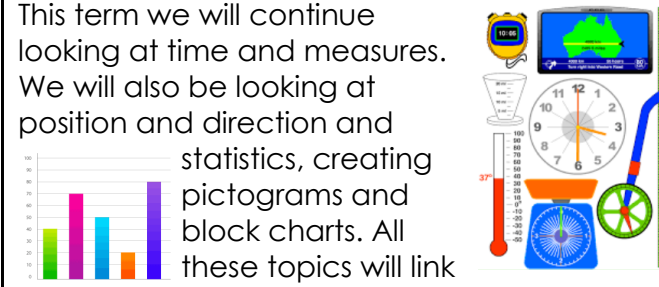
5/7/24 – Hartwell

12/7/24 – Mentmore

19/7/24 – Ascott

Mathematics

This term we will continue looking at time and measures. We will also be looking at position and direction and statistics, creating pictograms and block charts. All these topics will link to our work in science and geography.



We will also be securing our knowledge and understanding of adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing and solving word problems.

Every Friday we will have a times tables test. The test will be sent home each week.

PE



Children will continue to practise their bat and ball skills. They will also be practising multi-skills in preparation for sports day.

RE

We will be learning more about belonging and special journeys, like the Hajj.





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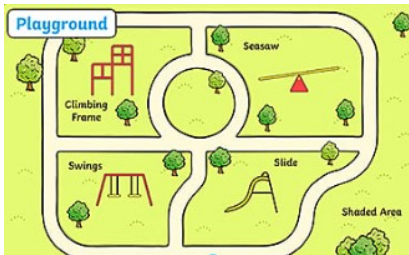
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This half term we will be looking at maps and plans, linking it to our science work where we will map out where living things are in the school grounds.



Art



Children will be looking at pattern and texture in nature and creating their own art work from it.

Music

The children will develop their understanding of musical language and how timbre, dynamics and tempo affect the mood of a song.

Computing

This term the children will finish off the topic on coding from last term. They will then build on the work in maths on statistics and create pictograms and binary trees in computing which will also link to our science work.



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Phonics and Spelling

We will be securing our knowledge of the phonics code; continue to practise different spelling patterns and focus on spelling common exception words. Please continue to practise learning these at home. The highlighted sheet is in your child's reading folder.

Spelling patterns

ai	air	ee	er	igh	oa	oo	or	ou	oy
ay	ear	ea	ur	ie	o-e	u-e	au	ow	oi
a-e	are	ey	ir	i-e	ow	ew	aw		
ey	ere	ie	or	y	oe	ue	ore		
					oh	our			
Other spellings							oor		
ure	wh	ph				augh			

Important Dates:

- Friday 28th July - Summer Fete
- Tuesday 2nd July - Transition Day
- Friday 5th July - Sports Day
- Tuesday 23rd July - End of term: 1pm finish

How you can support your child at home

Reading:

Please encourage your child to take part in the reading rocket challenge!

Children are encouraged to read as often as possible at home, preferably ten minutes every day. Please continue to read books for pleasure but also read the book that gets sent home from the reading scheme as it is particularly chosen to focus on a specific skill your child needs to practise or is a good book to develop their comprehension skills.

Please don't forget to sign the reading record. We will not swap a book if it has not been read at home.

Spelling:

It would be beneficial to practise spelling year 1 and 2 common exception words at home, The list is in your child's reading folder.

Maths:

Please enjoy games on **Times Tables Rockstars**. In year 2 your child will be practising the 10, 2 and 5 times tables as well as corresponding divisions. They will be tested on this every Friday. It is important that your child knows the pairs of numbers that make 10/20 before they move in Year 3 so please practise those at home.

PSHE - Changing Me

We will look at how we change and grow. We will also build on work already done in Science on life cycles.