

## Understanding English, Communication and Languages

### The Great Explorer by Chris Judge

This term our whole school topic is based on Thame. With this in mind, we are focussing on exploring the local area. During English we will focus on The Great Explorer book which introduces powerful vocabulary to the children in an exciting and imaginative way. By the end of the term the children will write their own adventure story based on adventures to different parts of the world!



## Understanding the Arts/DT

This term the children will create their own self portrait pictures by selecting different brush strokes and missing colours to create their skin tone. They will also use drawing skills to sketch different buildings in Thame. In addition to this, they will use natural materials found in their local area to create pictures depicting different types of animals and also create sculptures linked to work by sculptor Andy Goldsworthy.

## Mathematical Understanding

This term we will be concentrating on our understanding of place value. The children will understand how a number is made up of tens and ones eg. 27 has 2 tens and 7 ones. Using practical equipment the children will learn to add and subtract 2 digit numbers using place value to help.

In addition to this, the children will also consolidate their understanding of telling the time to o'clock and half past and move on to quarter past the hour.

At home, practise counting in 10s to 100 (forwards and backwards) and in 5s to 50.

## Computing

Using the ipads the children will work on a coding app which will consolidate their map skills.

## Historical, Geographical & Social Understanding

### Thame

This term will focus on geographical skills such as map work and learning the differences between a city, town and village. The children will use maps and atlases to identify different places within the UK and where these are in relation to Thame. We will also look at our local area and what the land is used for around our school. This will involve an exciting trip around Thame finding key landmarks! The children will be using maps to find their way around and will even create their own maps!

## Term One 2019, Year Two



## Thame Explorers

Miss Fraser, Miss Walker

## Understanding Physical Development, Health & Well Being

PE days will take place on Monday morning and Friday afternoon this year. The children will need to have indoor PE kit (red shorts and white t-shirt) and outdoor PE kit (tracksuit bottoms and a sweatshirt for colder days as well as trainers). Please ensure that all PE clothing is labelled and in school on these days. During gymnastics we will focus on rolling. For our outdoor games sessions we will be working on our dribbling and passing skills, showing increasing control and accuracy in a variety of games activities.

## Scientific & Technological Understanding

This term we will be looking at our local habitats and seeing which plants and wildlife are found in these. The children will make predictions about what wildlife they would expect to find and justify why. They will then link their maths skills to show and analyse their results using tally charts and bar graphs. We will also use classification sheets to identify unknown plants or insects and use magnifying glasses to look more closely at these.

At home, what habitats can you see out of your window?