

Maths

This half term children will be learning how to:

- Identify and use money to solve problems.
- Combine different coins to make the same amount.
- Multiply and divide numbers.
- Identify 2D and 3D shapes.
- Tell the time to nearest 15 minutes.

Home Learning

Your support is invaluable and really does make a difference to your child's learning. This term we would particularly welcome help with any of the following:

- ✓ Listen to your child read every day where possible.
- ✓ Ask them about the book, front cover, pictures, likes or dislikes.
- ✓ Ask your child what they did during their school day. What did they enjoy?
- ✓ Support your child with any learning they bring home.
- ✓ Explore counting and numbers around the area. This can include counting objects.
- ✓ Practice letter formation at home. Please ask if you need an additional handwriting sheet.

Key themes this half term –
Time Travel – Children will ‘travel’ back in time to learn about The Stuart Times and the Great Fire of London. They will continue this after half term.
Celebrations – Children will be learning about different celebrations and festivals over this half term.

Literacy

Writing

This half term children will be learning how to:

- Write sentences that are sequenced to form a short story and write about a key event.
- Write poems using rhymes.
- Use capital letters and full stops correctly.
- Develop their handwriting to ensure that all letters are formed correctly and are the correct size and are beginning to join.

Reading

This half term children will be learning how to:

- Continue to read accurately by blending the sounds they have learnt in year 1 (40+phonemes)
- Read words of 2 or more syllables correctly.
- Read aloud without too much sounding out.
- Answer questions about the book they are reading.

Speaking and Listening

This half term children will be learning how to:

- Listen to and respond to their peers including collaboration.
- Ask sensible questions to debate accurately.
- Maintain attention and participate in classroom conversations
- Participate in role play activities to gain understanding.

Please speak to your class teacher if you would like more specific guidance on how to help your child.

Other Curriculum Areas

During this half term children will be able to apply the skills learnt in literacy and maths into other subjects whilst also learning other key skills such as

Science – **Investigating** the use of everyday materials for different purposes.

History –
The Gunpowder Plot and The Plague. In this topic, children will learn about key events that happened in London and it's effect on the rest of the country.

Art - Children compare the artists Kandinsky and Mondrian. **They explore colour, pattern, texture, line and shape.** They produce images using a variety of materials, including ICT.

DT- This half term, children concentrate on **investigating, designing and making** their own bridge.

PE – Ball Skills – Learning to pass the ball using their feet. Team games – Cooperation and resilience.

- Gymnastics – Levels of movement and joining movement together.

SMSC/PHSE – Learning about the views of others and respecting those views/Celebrating difference

RE – Christianity and celebrations from other faiths.

Music – Celebration songs where children can use their voices to sing expressively.