

## English

This term we will be reading a range of fairy tales. The children will write character and setting descriptions linked to these. They will then plan and write their own fairy tale adventure. There will also be opportunities for non-fiction linked to our learning in science. We will be exploring various spelling patterns including adding -es to nouns and verbs ending in y and using an apostrophe to shorten words. In reading we will continue to retrieve and make simple inferences but will also make and explain predictions with reference to the text. Thank you for reading regularly with your child. It really helps them to enjoy books and read with confidence. Your child will have spelling home learning every Friday. This will be set on Google Classroom.

## Science

Children will learn about what seeds need in order to grow. They will make predictions based on their questions linked to this and set up comparative tests. They will also learn about what makes a fair test and why this is important. Children will plant seeds and compare them as they grow into mature plants. We will be recording changes in the plants using words and pictures.

## Art

The children will be exploring a range of sculptures by Ugo Rondinone. They will compare his work, noticing similarities and differences. The children will learn and to score and slip to join clay. They will create surface patterns and textures on a clay tile. The patterns will be inspired by the work of Marianne North.

## Physical Education

Children will develop skills required in athletic activities such as running at different speeds, jumping and throwing. They will learn how to improve by identifying areas of strength as well as areas to develop. During team building activities, children will develop their communication and problem-solving skills. They will work individually, in pairs and in small groups. They will learn to discuss, plan and reflect on ideas and strategies.

## Religious Education

This term the focus will be on Islam. Children will learn about how the Bismillah teaches Muslims about compassion. They will talk about the possible meanings in stories, including a story about Muhammad. They will explore the concept of Muhammad being a messenger. Children will learn about Ramadan and understand why Muslims fast together in Ramadan. They will learn about Eid-ul-Fitr and how this is celebrated by Muslims. Our Christian value this half term is Service.

## Music

Based on the story of Jack and the Beanstalk, the children will learn to sing a collection of bright, lively songs which are rich in content and memorable in melody. These songs will encourage the children to imagine themselves in Jack's shoes and to work out how they would deal with each tricky situation. The children will play tuned and untuned instruments to create accompaniments.

## HeartSmart - Fake is a Mistake

This half term the children will learn about how important it is to be truthful. They will learn that they are unique and should be proud of who they are.

## Computing

Children will use technology purposefully to create, organise, and retrieve digital content. They will use simple keywords in search engines and navigate a simple webpage to get the information they need.

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## Once Upon a Time...

## Mathematics - Maths No-Problem!

This half term we will focus on the skills of fractions, telling the time and the geometry of 2D and 3D shapes. Fluency and calculation skills will also continue to be rehearsed along with multiples of 2, 5 and 10. The children will be applying these skills through problem solving with real life contexts. Your child will have maths home learning every fortnight on a Friday. This will be set on Google Classroom. You can also support your child at home by giving them plenty of opportunities to practise telling the time to the whole, half and quarter hour. Encourage them to work out times when you are out and about e.g. What time will swimming be finished if your lesson is half an hour?