

## English (Reading, and Writing).

### You can support your child by:

Help them to practise writing their letters the correct way round. Encourage them to write sentences using capital letters, full stops and finger spaces.

### Writing – The Write Stuff

- Poppies
- All Aboard the London Bus
- Lost and Found, Penguins
- How to make a Chocolate Mug Cake
- I Want a Pet Dog for Christmas.

**Reading** – Monster Phonics decodable books will be read in groups three times a week. Please read your child's reading book with them at least 3x a week.

### Reading Spine

The book we are focusing on this term is Funnybones.

## Computing- Creating Media

This half term we will be focusing on digital painting. We will explore the paint, brush, pen, flood fill, colour, line tools to create our own pictures.



## History

This term we will be continuing to learn about famous Queens, in particular we will be looking at the life of Queen Elizabeth II.

## Design and Technology.

We will be making our own Windmills.

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### Science

We will be learning about seasonal changes from autumn to winter. Children will have the opportunity to name the four seasons of the year and events or occasions that happens within them. Children will discover the signs of autumn around our school using the I-pads to take photographs, make observational drawings and going on an autumn hunt! Children will name and describe the different types of weather across the autumn and winter and how this changes. They will explore the different animals within each season and how as humans we adapt to the changing weather conditions.

### You can support your child by:

Spending some time together watching the weather report on BBC news to see what the weather is like and how it changes as we move into the season of winter. Research how different animals survive and adapt in autumn and winter. Record what time you go to bed in autumn and winter and when it starts to get dark.

### PHSE

This half term we will look at our next jigsaw piece on Celebrating Differences. We look at similarities and differences, bullying and how to deal with it, and friendships.



### PE: Real PE

During this half term the children will focus on their social skills. Through our journey to the blue planet and monkey business they will practise static balances as well as dynamic balances to agility including jumping and landing. Children will focus on working sensibly with others, sharing and taking turns. They will also learn to help, praise and encourage others in their learning. **A reminder that Mr Cox's PE days are Thursday and Friday. Miss Dilks PE days are Monday and Thursday.**

### Mathematics

This half term we will continue to use the White Rose Scheme of Work. We will focus on addition and subtracting using the whole, part, part model, finding the difference, using fact families and solving different problems.

We will also be shape detectives and name 2D and 3D shapes from pictures, objects and in everyday life. We will look at some of their properties and solve different problems.

### You can support your child by:

Encouraging them to write their numbers the correct way round using chalks, paints or pens. Spot 2D and 3D shapes in everyday life. Explain how they have solved a problem using vocabulary such as; **I know because, this is true, I agree, It is not true because, I can prove that I am correct/incorrect by.**

### RE

During this half term the children will focus on Christianity and what it means to be a Christian. We will explore Christian beliefs and important stories and the special messages that they tell. We will also explore why Christmas is a special time for Christians. We will learn about the Christmas story and its importance to Christians.

## Geography- Our Local Area.

In Geography we look at a range of aerial and satellite maps. The children will be planning routes to different locations on our school grounds. We will also be looking at compasses and how they work.

