

English

In English, we will be looking at stories based on 'London'. We are going to be using stories such as 'Katie in London', 'The Queen's Hat' and 'Paddington'. We will be writing letters to the King, telling him about what we are learning and asking him questions about things we want to find out.

You could help your child at home by practising writing sentences. Could they write a letter to a friend or family member to practise the skills they are learning in school. Please continue to read with your child at least three times a week and practise their tricky words/common exception words/KRM words.

Maths

In maths, we are continuing our learning on place value and addition and subtraction. We will be using our addition and subtraction skills to develop our number to 20. We will then return to our place value and be working on numbers to 50. We will be using number lines and our maths equipment to support our learning. We will be continuing our focus on writing and forming numbers 0-20 in both numerals and words.

You could help your child at home by encouraging them to do some addition and subtraction using some pasta, pencils, or even their toys with numbers up to 20. You can continue to practising your child's number formation focusing on numbers 11-20 ensuring the numbers are consistently formed the correct way around.

Music

In music, we are going to explore rhythm and melody through singing and listening to music.

You could help your child at home by listening to music with different rhythms.

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'Our World, Our Country'.

Art

In Art lessons, we will be learning about the famous artist Monet. We will be focusing on different brush stroke techniques to create our very own Monet masterpiece.

You could help your child at home by exploring the work of Monet and looking at a range of his creations.

Computing

In computing lessons, we are learning to develop our word processing skills. We will be learning how to use a touch pad. You could help your child at home by playing simple app games such as cbeebies games – Numberblocks.

Physical Education (PE)

In PE, we will be learning skills for circuit training. We will also be focusing on attacking and defending during team games when trying to score goals.

You could help your child at home by completing some Cosmic Kids Yoga.

Design and Technology

In D&T, we will be designing and making a bug hotel.

You could help your child at home by researching different types of egg cups and discussing designs they may want to use.

Science

In science, we are learning to identify and name every day materials and will have the opportunity to explore the properties of these materials.

You could help your child at home by talking about different materials (wood, plastic, rock, glass, metal) of things you have at home, or you see when you are out and about.

Topic (History/Geography)

In Geography, our topic is 'Our World, Our Country'. We will be looking firstly at the United Kingdom, then focusing our country and its capital city. We will be comparing towns and countries and then comparing different cities within our world.

You could help your child by discussing places you have visited. It may be a day trip to Wales, a weekend in London or a holiday abroad. You could go on walks over Cannock Chase and discuss how this area is different to a busy city.

Religious Education (RE)

In RE, we will be focussing on important celebrations in different faiths and what we think a special celebration would be. We will look at how people commemorate the occasions differently.

You could help your child at home by discussing important moments in their life, e.g. birthdays.

Health and Relationships Education (HRE)

To celebrate National Number Day this term, we will be having a very special visit from Mr Charles: The Magic Maths Man. He will be completing some workshops with us with his magical twist.

We will share some of our favourite stories together as part of National Story Telling Week.

As part of Children's Mental Health Week we thought about things that make us 'happy'. We 'filled a jar' with our ideas and shared them with each other. We will explore the fact that some things make lots of people happy, and other things are personal to us.