

We hope this topic letter will give you some insight into the work your child will cover during the term. Our topics for this term are 'Our Wonderful World' (Spring 1) and 'Play on Words' (Spring 2). Both of these topics aim to inspire us and promote 'in-depth' thinking and discussion.

Literacy

During their daily literacy lessons, the children will be writing non-chronological reports about cheetahs and crocodiles. We will be focusing on adverbs, expanded noun phrases, commands, questions and exclamation sentences. We will be reading 'Little Red Reading Hood' and 'The Owl who was afraid of the Dark'. Children shall also be taught daily phonics, SPaG and handwriting.

Maths

During their daily mathematics lessons, some of the things that children will learn are:

- Recall and use multiplication and division facts for the 2, 5 and 10 multiplication tables. We also need to begin learning our 3 times tables.
- Solve problems involving multiplication and division, using materials, arrays, repeated addition, mental methods, and multiplication and division facts, including problems in contexts.
- To tell and write the time to the nearest five minutes.
- Recall and use addition and subtraction facts to 20 fluently, and derive and use related facts up to 100.

Computing

The children will this term we will be learning about online safety and celebrating internet safety day. Using Purple Mash, the Children will learn to explain what rows and columns are in a spreadsheet. Open, save and edit a spreadsheet. The children can include images from the image toolbox and allocate them a value. We will learn how to use the count tool to count items.

Music

The children will be focusing on ensuring they can identify and use rhythm when singing. We will also explore tune and pitch. Our class assemblies will also allow us to learn songs by heart and explore different musical themes.

Religious Education

This term the children will be learning about Christianity. We will be exploring how Christians believe Jesus is a saviour. We discuss how he healed and helped the people he met. We will also be learning about the meaning of Easter.

Art

This term the children will be looking at famous sculptors. They will design, make and paint their own sculptures based on Roald Dahl characters.

Design and Technology

The children will focus on habitats. They will design and make a habitat for their own fantasy animal.

History

During history this term we will be doing a famous person study on Roald Dahl, this links closely with our work in literacy. There will also be a trip to the Roald Dahl Museum.

Physical Education

The children will be continuing with Sports Focus this term on Friday's. During the teacher led P.E. lessons on Monday we shall be investigating yoga, exploring high and low movements.

Science

Our science work will be focusing on animals including humans. We will explore habitats and the basic needs of different animals. We will also explore food chains and life cycles.

Outdoor Learning

During the first few weeks of the term, it is the Big School Bird Watch and so children will have the opportunity to observe the birds seen around the school grounds. This will enable the children to observe which type of birds populate our school. We will also regularly be in the school gardens, beginning to sow seeds for the summer harvest.

Home Learning

We will be continuing with our home learning logs. The work is based on things we have been learning about in school, including literacy, maths, science and history. Please don't hesitate to ask if you have any questions about this.

Key Dates This Term:

- ☆ 6th February – Safer Internet Day
- ☆ 7th March – World book day
- ☆ 20th March – Roald Dahl Museum trip
- ☆ 25th April – Swan’s class assembly

Ways in Which You Can Help:

- ☆ Please ensure your child come into school wearing their P.E. kit on Monday’s and Friday’s (Sports Focus).
- ☆ Please hear your child read **every** night. Your child will have an e-book or a set book as well as a sharing book, this sharing book aims to promote a love of reading.
- ☆ Please bring your child’s book bag into school every day and their reading record.

Thank you for your support. We are looking forward to another super term in Year 2!

Ms Wales and Miss Griffiths ☺

Buckland Primary School



Topic Booklet For Parents

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