Acorns

NEWSLETTER

Computing

In computing, we are exploring how technology works and having fun with keyboards, mice and cameras. We will practice taking and editing photographs, getting creative with software and learning how to stay safe online.

History

This half term we will be learning about **How have toys changed?** We will be learning about how toys have changed over time. If you have any toys from your childhood, or if any grandparents would be willing to visit and talk to the class, please let me know. We would love some visitors!

DT

In our unit this half term we will be looking at **making a moving story book!** We'll be thinking about sliders and mechanisms, illustrations and using design criteria to evaluate our work!

RE

This half term Acorns will be looking at 'Why does Christmas matter to Christians'. We will be learning about the creation story and some of the traditions that we share at Christmas time.

English

In English, we are exploring the story of Zog by Julia Donaldson. We will be describing characters, writing our own adventures and creating exciting reports about dragons! We are also using punctuation to bring our writing to life.

Phonics

Phonics is taught daily, please look out for sounds and words to practice at home. Additional information can also be found in homework books.



Autumn 2 Curriculum Overview

PE

We will be doing PE on a **Monday** and a **Wednesday** this half term! We are practicing gymnastics and pirate moves!
Please ensure PE kits are in school.

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Acorns Reminders

P.E KITS - Mondays and Wednesdays. Please make sure your child has their PE kit in school
READING - Children should be reading every evening for 15 minutes. Reading books will usually be changed on a Wednesday.
HOMEWORK—Homework will be given on a Friday and needs to be returned on Thursdays. This will consist of phonics that we have covered in the week, and a task to complete with them.

Maths

In reception this term, we are practicing patterns. Can you find any different patterns at home?
In year one, we will be focusing on place value, addition, subtraction and shape. Can you find different shapes around your home?

PSHE

This term we are learning how to stay safe and be kind online. We will explore the importance of balancing screen time with other activities, using the internet safely, and knowing who we can talk to if something makes us worried or uncomfortable.

Music

In music, we are looking at some different songs including 'shake my sillies out' and 'the menu song'. We will be thinking about how these make us feel , how we respond to them, and what messages they might carry. We will also be discussing beat and rhythm and how we can move to music.

Science

In science, we are discovering the four seasons and discovering how the weather and world change around us throughout the year. We will be observing seasonal changes, looking at how trees and plants change, and how the length of the day changes throughout the seasons.