

MTP Curriculum Notes

Year 2 - Autumn 2016

Topic Work: Yum Yum! This term we will be learning all about food. The children will access the topic through their own teddy bears, learning about a variety of bears, both factual and fictional, and the food they eat. We will look at honey and bees, sandwiches and bread and cover healthy eating, cooking, international food and food associated with festivals, especially Christmas. These lessons will be designed to incorporate the subjects of English, Science, History, Geography, Art and Design and Technology. Our trip to the Mill Green Museum and Mill will afford the children an opportunity to see our food being created from scratch.

Maths: The boys will work to consolidate their number bonds and number facts. We will deal with reading and writing both 2-digit and 3-digit numbers and will revise number comparison and the recognition of hundreds, tens and ones within a number. Our main focus will be on addition and subtraction. We will review the part-whole concept of addition and subtraction together with mental maths strategies. The boys will be introduced to vertical addition and subtraction and we will progress onto renaming using both 2-digit and 3-digit numbers. We will continue to practise answering worded questions using basic model drawings. The boys will be exploring multiplication and division towards the end of the term. Our work will be reinforced with the CAMI maths computer programme.

English: To underpin our topic work we will continue with weekly reading, phonics, handwriting and grammar and punctuation lessons. We will focus on reading and comprehension skills, sound blends, handwriting joins and independent writing which will focus on sentence structure and the use of connectives.

ICT: We will continue to develop the boys' keyboard, mouse and word processing skills including using computer based art programmes. The boys will also use the computers to research information. They will be using cameras to record images and will be incorporating them into their work. We will learn about E-safety and spend time using a variety of applications on the iPads.

RE: The boys will be exploring growing up and continuing to learn about Religious Festivals and Celebrations.

P4C: The boys will continue to develop their ability to ask questions. They will be listening to and responding to the opinions of others through whole class discussions.

French: Introducing greetings, numbers, colours and alphabet.

Music: We will be developing the boys' recorder playing by learning more notes and songs. Please could you ensure that your son has a named recorder.

PE: In PE the boys will develop the fundamental movement skills, including a unit focused on health related fitness. They will also be further introduced to invasion games through the introduction of tag rugby; encompassing running, throwing, catching and evasion skills.

Environmental Science: The boys will enjoy regular sessions in the woods which will enhance the children's knowledge and understanding of the natural world and develop their sense of awe and wonder. These sessions will also enable the boys to develop their curiosity, empathy, collaboration, perseverance, risk-taking and independence.

The words of the week this term are: Concentration: attentiveness, self-control, conscientiousness; Perseverance: determination, loyalty, patience, resilience; Empathy: contentment, kindness, generosity, gratitude, forgiveness, humility and compassion.