



### Maths

In Ash Class this term we will be focussing on place value, addition, subtraction and multiplication. Both year groups will also focus on solving problems within these topics.

We will be focusing on learning the following times tables: 10x, 2x, 5x and 3x.

### Literacy

Literacy lessons this term will begin with writing butterfly poems. Lessons will subsequently focus on 'The Incredible Book Eating Boy' by Oliver Jeffers. We will be using the text to learn how to use punctuation and grammar correctly in our sentences and to build a rich vocabulary ready for our independent writing tasks. These will include writing both formal and informal letters and, after half-term, a story.

### Science

In Science, children will be learning about different habitats and the animals and plants that live in them. They will explore how living things depend on their environment to survive, and how habitats provide food, shelter and space. From woodlands to oceans, the children will investigate a range of habitats and begin to understand how living things are suited to where they live.

### RE & PSHE

The children have been learning about Jesus and Christianity through their weekly RE lessons.

In PSHE the children will be looking at being kind and friendships.

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### Art/DT

This term in Art and DT, children will be exploring still life. They will be working with clay to create simple objects, focusing on shape, texture and form. Once their clay models are complete, the children will practise observational drawing by sketching their creations using pencil, adding detail and shading.

### History & Geography

**Geography** -This term, children will be learning about the world around them. They will use maps, globes and atlases to locate the United Kingdom, other countries, continents and oceans. They'll learn about compass directions, climate zones (hot, cold and temperate), and discover how the equator affects temperature. We'll also explore how to care for our planet and talk about ways to protect the environment.

**History** - In History, children will be finding out about significant people from the past who made a real difference in the world. They'll explore the lives of explorers like Christopher Columbus and Neil Armstrong, as well as activists such as Emmeline Pankhurst and Rosa Parks. The children will learn what these people achieved, why they are remembered, and how their actions helped shape the world we live in today.

### Music

Our focus this term is pulse and rhythm as well as singing. We will be utilising our singing skills in our nativity.



### How can I help my child at home?

Please feel free to find out information about our topics - perhaps a visit to the library to borrow some books?

Pupils have logins for TTRockstars and Spellingframe.

**TTRockstars** is always helpful when learning times tables. Pupils should try to play this every week at home. It can be accessed on phones, tablets, PCs and laptops.

**Spellingframe** has lots of fun games to help your child learn their spellings. Spellings are set and tested on a Friday. Please make sure spelling books are in school on this day.

Reading - listening to your child read or sharing a book with them can make a massive difference to their learning. Please ensure reading books AND library books are in school EVERY day.

### Computing

In computing this term, we will be continuing to use the computers to assist with our research for our topics. We are also using purple mash, TT Rockstars, phonics play and topmarks.

### Maths games to play at home:

Topmarks maths games:  
helicopter rescue (using number square to identify and find numbers between others)  
Hit the button (Number bonds)  
Fact families (addition and subtraction)  
Funky Mummy (tables)

### PE

The children will take part in Forest School sessions for the first half term and then with weekly sports lessons, led by specialists who will focus on basic skills such as throwing, catching and spatial awareness.

Pupils will be swimming this term.

### Literacy games to play at home:

Phonics play  
Sentence doctor  
(diagnosing the error in a sentence)