

As **readers**, we will continue to work through phases of the Little Wandle phonics scheme. During our phonics sessions we will explicitly and systematically teach grapheme-phoneme correspondences (GPCs) and tricky words. The sessions will be structured to ensure that the children have the opportunity to revisit and review previously taught GPCs, learn new ones, practise and apply them to reading and writing. ~

As **writers** we will be continuing with Drawing Club, focusing on a variety of books, tales and animations. At the beginning of the term our focus will be on handwriting and correct letter formation. Alongside Drawing Club we will have weekly SPAG lessons. In Year One the children will be practicing using capital letters and full stops correctly. In Year 2, we will practise our letter formation every day. In our writing sessions, we will continue with Curious Quests, where Professor Klunk will take us on exciting journeys and set challenges to inspire our writing. We will also have a weekly SPaG lesson, with the focus linked to our writing for that week. We will develop our use of capital letters, full stops, nouns, verbs and adjectives.

Make your mark



As **Scientists**, our children will be exploring materials with a focus on plastic, wood, metal and glass. They will be sorting and grouping items made from these materials and talking about the difference between natural and man-made objects. They will then be carrying out some experiments looking at floating and sinking, freezing and melting and looking at the question; does it absorb water?

As **Artists**, we will be investigating line. How to make different types of line, how different media makes different lines and how that is used during observational drawing. We will then move on to explore clay. Learning how to mould and manipulate it. Then using what they learnt about line the children will design a tile that they will then create with clay.

In **P.E.**, we look forward to our sports lessons with our new coach, taking part in various fitness activities! We will also be having weekly yoga lessons to help us focus on our balance, coordination and mindfulness.

In **R.E.**, we will be looking at the question 'What do Christians believe about God?'. The children will explore views on the existence of God and origins of the universe and responsibility for the environment.

In **P.S.H.E.**, our topic is called 'Being Me in My World'. We will learn about our class, rights and responsibilities, rewards and consequences and how to show we are feeling proud.

In **Computing** we will be looking at online safety. We will learn what safe use of the internet looks like and how we can keep ourselves safe when using a computer. It is very important that all children know how to write

As **mathematicians**, our Year One children will be learning to sort objects along with counting objects from larger groups. They will be counting forwards and backwards confidently within 10 and working on one more and one less than. They will be comparing numbers and ordering objects and numbers. We will also be looking at using the composition of number and learning our number bonds to 10. Towards the end of the term we will start looking at addition and subtraction working with numbers within 10.

In Year 2, we will develop our number sense and fluency through practical activities and lots of opportunities to explore numbers. We will focus on subitising, counting, place value, number lines, comparing and ordering numbers, as well as addition and subtraction. We will also develop our understanding of number bonds, doubles and fact families.

To help with your child's learning at home:

- ❖ Please hear your child read regularly at home. We encourage 3 reads a week with an adult.
- ❖ Please support your child with learning their spellings at home.
- ❖ Please encourage your child to wear a watch or practice telling the time at home 😊