

English



In English this term, we will be exploring the picture book *Traction Man is Here* by Mini Grey. Through the humorous and action-packed adventures of Traction Man and his sidekick Scrubbing Brush, children will build their understanding of character and develop empathy through drama, role-play, and writing in role. We will also explore how illustrations can add depth to storytelling and enhance the reader's experience. This unit will provide opportunities for creative writing and imaginative responses, helping children enjoy and engage with high-quality literature. Alongside this, we will continue to develop key reading and writing skills through our daily phonics sessions.

History—The Great Fire of London

We will be learning about the Great Fire of London. We will learn about how the fire started, what caused it to spread so widely, and how London was re-built after the fire. We will use different sources to find out about the event, including Samuel Pepys' diary entries and paintings.

Art

We will recap our Y1 learning about primary and secondary colours, extending this knowledge to warm and cool terms. We will explore mixing colours and creating gradients. We will then apply this to make our own fire landscapes inspired by the Great Fire of London.

PSHCE

We will identify jobs people do in the local community. We will recognise that different jobs require different skills and start to think about what jobs we might like to do when we are older. We will learn that adults earn money through doing jobs.

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RE

Our Big Questions this term are:



- Who should you follow?
- What can I learn from stories from religious traditions?
- Should people follow religious leaders and teachings?

PE

In Indoor PE, we will follow the Real PE Scheme of work. Our FUNs (fundamental skills) this term are:



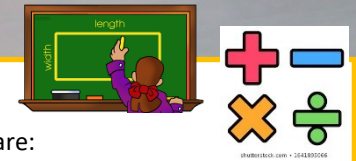
- Footwork: side stepping, hopscotch etc.
- Balances: holding a one-legged balance for 10.

In our outdoor PE sessions, we will be practising our catching and throwing skills.

Computing

This term we will develop our understanding of what information technology (IT) is and begin to identify examples. We will discuss where we have seen IT in school and beyond, in settings such as shops, hospitals, and libraries. We will then investigate how IT improves our world and learn about the importance of using IT responsibly.

Maths



Our focus topics for this term are:

1. Place Value: Numbers to 100
2. Addition and Subtraction: Adding and Subtracting two-digit numbers.

We will have lots of opportunities to use manipulatives to help develop our understanding. We will all work on questions that develop our fluency, reasoning and problem-solving.

Science

We will find out about the properties of different materials, and how they are suited to different purposes. We will sort materials according to their properties and conduct simple experiments to explore the properties of materials. We will explore how objects made of some everyday materials can change shape and how the recycling process is able to reuse some everyday materials numerous times. We will use this knowledge to choose appropriate materials for our DT project next half term.



Music

We will be learning a song which celebrates South African Music called Hands, Feet, Heart. We will explore the dimensions of music (pulse, rhythm, pitch etc). As well as learning to sing, play, improvise and compose with this song, we will listen and appraise different styles of South African music.

