

English



This term, we will be reading *Nikhil and Jay Save the Day* by Chitra Soundar; a collection of four interlinked stories about two brothers in a British Asian family. Our learning will include discussions that help children make connections to their own lives, drama and role-play to explore character viewpoints, and creative tasks like drawing and poetry writing inspired by the text. We will also practise storytelling techniques in the author's style and write for a range of audiences and purposes.

Alongside this, children will apply their phonics learning to investigate spelling patterns and explore the different ways sounds can be represented in words, supporting both their reading and writing development.

Geography

We will be learning about our local area, using maps to find out about where we live in relation to the school. We will learn about maps and how symbols on maps represent human/natural features. We will use fieldwork to find out about the different shops and facilities in Headington. We will be thinking about how people spoil the local environment, and what things improve our local environment.

DT

After finding out how playgrounds improve the local environment for children, we will be considering what materials are used for creating pieces of equipment and why. We will learn about stability, and how to make freestanding structures more stable. We will design our own piece of playground equipment and build a model from our design. We will evaluate our model and suggest any changes/improvements we would make.

Year 2

Topic Web

Autumn Term 2

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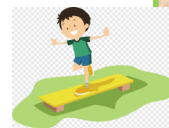
Our Big Questions this term are:



- Should you wear religious symbols?
- Are symbols better than words at expressing religious beliefs?
- Who do I believe I am?

PE

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



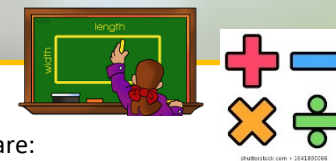
- Jumping and landing: hopping forwards and backwards, freezing on landing etc.
- Balances: seated balances while moving cones from one side to the other.

In our outdoor PE sessions, we will be focusing on developing our skills in Basketball.

PSHCE

Along with our Family Links scheme, covered in weekly circle time sessions, we will discuss the topic of safety, particularly fire safety. We will think about how our choices can keep us safe, and about what to do in an emergency. We will also think about money, how it is earned and saved, how to spend it wisely, and how it might feel to worry about money.

Maths



Our focus topics for this term are:

1. Addition and Subtraction: Adding and Subtracting two-digit numbers.
2. Shape: focusing on identifying, sorting and finding symmetry on 2-D and 3-D shapes.

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-

Science

We will continue to find out about different materials, focusing this term on how forces can be applied to change materials (bending, twisting etc) and how heating/cooling changes materials.



Music

In Music this term, we will be learning how to sing classic carols for our Nativity. We will be learning a Christmas song called Ho Ho Ho. We will explore the dimensions of music (pulse, rhythm, pitch etc) and learn to sing, play, improvise and compose with this song.



Computing

We will learn to recognise that different devices can be used to capture photographs and will gain experience capturing, editing and improving photos. Finally, we will use this knowledge to recognise that images we see may not be real.