

Swan Autumn 2021 News

Our topic for the second half term is 'Let's go on a journey' and much of the curriculum will be linked to this theme.

Science We will continue to find out about different classifications of animals and sort them in to groups. We will look at animals from different continents and write about our favourites.



In **Computing** the children will use a paint programme to produce digital art. We will also discuss online safety.

In **RSHE** our theme is Valuing Difference We will be recognising, valuing and celebrating difference, Developing respect and accepting others and discussing bullying and where to get help.

In **Geography** the children will look at the countries that make up the United Kingdom. They will learn about compass points and look at maps.

Maths In the second half term we will be working on place value of numbers to 20 and addition and subtraction. We will look at 2D and 3D shapes, naming the shapes and describing their properties.



In **History** the children will be introduced to timelines, placing significant events in chronological order. We will look at Remembrance Day.

RE will focus on the journey to Bethlehem, learning about the Christmas Story and how celebrations bring people together.

PE is on Wednesday and Thursday. Please come to school in trainers, the coloured PE t-shirt and a navy tracksuit (or leggings and sweatshirt) for outdoor PE. We follow the Real PE scheme and Caroline will teach dance.

In **Design Technology** the children will be cooking items from around the UK. In **Art** we will look at the work of Claude Monet and paint in his style.

In **Spanish** the children will learn numbers to 10, colours and how to say their age.

In **Music** the second topic is called Rhythm in the way you walk and is based on Reggae music. The children will listen, sing, compose and accompany a range of songs.

English will include daily phonics, reading and writing. We will have regular storytime when the children can listen to quality stories and we will use books related to the theme 'Let's go on a journey' for our own writing. They will include *The Snail and the Whale*, *The Journey Home*, *Around the World with Max and Lemon*, *On the way home*, *The Journey* and *The Nativity*. The children will use their writing skills in all the curriculum areas, such as writing information about animals in **Science** and labelling countries of the UK in **Geography**.

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Our topic for the first half term is 'What makes me marvellous?' and much of the curriculum will be linked to this theme.

Science We will be naming body parts and exploring our five senses. We will discuss that we are humans and part of the group of animals called mammals. Later in the half term we will go on to explore other categories of animals.



In Computing the children will work in the computer suite and learn to log on and off the computer and use the mouse on simple programs.

In RSHE we are following the SCARF scheme and this halfterm our theme is Me and My Relationships. We will look at feelings and friendship. There are activities to support this work at home at

<https://www.coramlifeeducation.org.uk/scarf/home-learning-unit-1>

In Geography the children will look at where they live and explore Norfolk. They will name geographical features and carry out field work.

In History the children will find out about a significant historical person from Norfolk; Horatio Nelson.

In MFL the children will find out about the country of Spain, differences and similarities and greetings.

RE will be finding out and celebrating the Christian festival of Harvest and the Jewish festival of Sukkot.

PE is on Wednesday and Thursday. Please come to school in trainers, the coloured PE t-shirt and a navy tracksuit (or leggings and sweatshirt) for outdoor PE. We follow the Real PE scheme and Caroline will teach dance.

Art and Design Technology will be around the theme of ourselves. The children will use different techniques and skills to produce self portraits both in art and DT.

In Music we follow the Chranga scheme and our first topic is called Hey You! and is based on Hip Hop music. The children will listen, sing, compose and accompany a range of songs.

English will include daily phonics, reading and writing. We will have regular storytime when the children can listen to quality stories and we will use books related to the theme 'What makes me marvellous?' for our own writing. They will include Marvelous Me, Only one you, You be you, Traction Man and There's a Superhero in your book. The children will use their writing skills in all the curriculum areas, such as labelling parts of the body in Science and writing their address in

Geography.

