

English



In English, children will:

- Read 'The Lonely Beast' by Chris Judge
- Write a description of the Beast
- Write a journey tale based on 'The Lonely Beast'
- Write a newspaper report
- Write a letter in the role of a beast

Ways to help at home:

- Read with your child every day for 15 minutes
- Let your child choose what they would like to write about and model sounding out new words for spelling and reading

Science

Living Things and their Habitats

In science, children will:

- Study different habitats and what makes up a habitat
- Learn about living things (plants and animals), things that once lived and things that have never been alive
- Learn about how animals in all habitats depend on plants and each other for food
- Identify features of plants and animals which make them suited to particular habitats

Ways to help at home:

- Visit parks and gardens to look at the different habitats
- Research different habitats and the animals that live in them

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History

How was London different after 1666?

In history, children will:

- Learn when the Great Fire of London happened
- Learn how to use sources to find out about an aspect of the past
- Learn about how the fire changed people's lives

Ways to help at home:

- Research the Great fire of London on the internet
- Visit the library and use information texts to learn about the topic

Art

Drawing

In art, children will:

- Build on their knowledge of Lucian Freud and Yayoi Kusama
- Create different types of marks with 4B and 2B pencils
- Discuss the way a work of art makes them feel
- Learn about and recreate the work of Frida Kahlo

Ways to help at home:

- Give children opportunities to draw themselves and other people
- Research the work of Frida Kahlo



Maths

In maths, children will:

- Learn to count objects to 100 and read and write numbers in numerals and words
- Learn to compare objects and numbers
- Learn to count in 2s, 5s and 10s
- Learn about fact families involving addition and subtraction bonds to 20 and 100
- Learn to add 10 more and 10 less to a given number
- Learn to add a 2-digit and a 1-digit number
- Subtract a 1-digit number from a 2-digit number

Ways to help at home:

- Counting activities using objects such as beans, pasta and beads
- Number recognition activities e.g. reading door numbers and bus numbers, etc
- Chanting up to 100 in the correct order

Computing

In computing, children will:

- Learn to recognise the parts of a computer
- Learn to recognise how technology follows instructions
- Develop their word processing skills including copying and pasting and using a keyboard
- Learn the role of computers in the wider world

Ways to help at home:

- Identify and talk about common uses of information technology in the wider world
- Encourage children to practise typing and creating simple documents using Word or Google Docs and to save them in an appropriate place.



PE

In PE, children will:

Games

- Learn sending and receiving ball skills across different sports
- Work on throwing, catching and bouncing

Gymnastics

- Perform a range of basic shapes, balance actions and link them with travelling
- Create gymnastics routines as a group

Ways to help at home:

- Make sure your child gets some exercise everyday. This could be walking to school, playing in the park after school, a Joe Wicks workout or anything else that is active



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Music

BBC Ten Pieces - No Place Like

In music, children will:

- Explore all the different kinds of sounds around us and the sounds we can make
- Learn what a soundscape is and learn about the composer Kerry Andrew
- Create their own graphic scores
- Work in groups to compose their own soundscape

Ways to help at home:

- Listen to all types of music - try to explore genres you don't normally listen to
- Encourage children to listen to the interesting sounds around them

RE

Why are some stories special?

In RE, children will:

- Hear some important religious stories from different religions: Christianity, Islam, Hinduism and Judaism
- Learn about different religious texts and why they are important to followers of different religions
- Study religious symbols across a variety of religions
- Discuss any common themes and messages from these stories

Ways to help at home:

- Ask which stories they liked the most and why
- Talk about the importance of taking care of the world

PSHE

In PSHE, children will:

- Learn to describe how being active makes us feel
- Discuss the importance of physical activity, sleep and rest
- Discuss ways to keep our teeth clean and healthy
- Learn and explain that fruits and vegetables can help to keep our bodies healthy

Ways to help at home:

- Discuss how healthy food and drink choices help the body and mind
- Explain the benefits of regular exercise and sleep
- Discuss the people who help them to stay healthy and the importance of having a good hygiene regime



Reminders:

Home Learning

- Read for 15 minutes everyday and sign the reading record
- Practise spellings for the week - the spelling test will take place every: Friday - Daffodils and Tulips
- Complete home learning tasks on Google Classroom on a weekly basis
- Children should bring a water bottle to school every day and have it filled up at home or from the outdoor school fountains before school

PE

- PE days are:
 - Daffodils - Monday and Tuesday
 - Tulips - Tuesday and Friday
- Children should wear their P.E. kit to school on these days