

### Literacy/English

This term the genres of writing we will be looking at will include character descriptions, recount and Persuasion. Our poetry work will include looking at Pattern and Rhyme, Alphabet and List poems. Nursery will be encouraged to engage in a range of mark making activities. Reception will be learning to use their phonic knowledge to write labels, captions and simple sentences in a range of contexts. Year 1 will continue to apply their phonic skills to write in sentences using capital letters and full stops. With Year 2 focusing on practising grammar and spelling skills, including using the correct verb tense, sentence construction and using a wider range of punctuation.

### Reading

Reception will use phonics to read words and simple sentences. Year 1 and 2 will read a wide range of fiction and non-fiction texts in guided reading sessions, developing decoding and comprehension skills.

### Phonics/Spelling

Nursery will learn a range of pre-phonics skills. Reception will continue practising segmenting and blending moving on to Phase 3. With Year 1 recapping phases 3, 4 and 5 sounds and beginning to learn alternative graphemes. Year 2 will continue to recap prior phonic knowledge, with a greater focus on correct spelling and the learning and application of spelling rules.

### Expressive Arts and Design/ Art/ Design and Technology

We will look at different aspects of drawing through our study of the work of Van Gough. We will look at the work of William Morris, considering the merits of his designs and patterns using this to design our own fabric book marks.

In music we will develop the use of our voices and instruments through the units: In the Groove and I Wanna Play in a Band (Yr1/2) with EYFS children Everyone and Our World

### Personal, Social, Emotional Development/ PSHE

Reception will build on their co-operation skills by developing their ability to taking account of one another's ideas about how to organise their activity. The children will study the 'Relationships' topic. They will also learn more on how to keep themselves safe through a NSPCC programme Stranger Danger/Pants.



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### Mathematics

This term we will be focusing upon:

- Number and place value
- Addition and subtraction, including mental strategies
- Addition facts for numbers to 20,
- Multiplication and division
- Statistics
- Fractions
- Measurement: length and height

### Understanding of the World/ Science/ RE/ Computing/ Geography/ History

We will look at 'Living Things and their Habitats'. We will be exploring and comparing things that are dead, alive or have never been alive; looking at habitats and food chains. We will revisit how to stay safe whilst using technology. The units 'We are Painters' and 'We are Researchers' will help us to explore using technology purposefully to create, manipulate, organise and store data and to also begin to think about how technology can be used find information. In RE the children will explore 'Questions that Puzzle Us' and 'Holy Words'. Our History learning will focus on finding out about how people lived in the Victorian era and we will learn about famous people including Queen Victoria and Florence Nightingale. We will study the similarities and differences between our own lives and those of the Victorians, considering significant people who have contributed to national and international achievements.

### Physical Development/ PE

We will be focusing on our handwriting and letter formation. With Year 2 working hard to develop a cursive style Our units in P.E this term will be focusing on gymnastics in our indoor sessions and Skipping to a Beat in our outdoor sessions.

### Communication and Language

EYFS children will develop their listening and attention skills through Listen with Lexi. They will also be involved in 'Something Special'.

### Trips/Visitors:

Black Country Living Museum

### Things you can do at home:

Find out about the Victorian way of life, as well as sharing the difference between the lives for different generations of your families. Daily reading and phonics/spelling practice. Handwriting practice.

Maths: count, recognise and order numbers to 20, 50,100 Number facts for numbers to 20, Times tables' practice, counting in 2s, 3s, 5s and 10s. Visit websites such as [phonicsplay.co.uk](http://phonicsplay.co.uk), ICT Games and Mr Thorne Does Phonics YouTube channel. A good Maths App is Doddlemaths.

### Useful Information:

Everyone will have PE on Tuesday afternoons. With KS1 having a further PE session on Wednesday. Home work is given out on a Friday to be handed back in on Wednesday. Reception will have their up to three times weekly provided their reading record has been signed to say they have read each book at least twice and are ready to change. Nursery and Reception children can also choose a book to share. Year 1 and 2 will change their books once they have completed an AR quiz.