



<p><b>English</b></p> <p>Little Wandle phonics lessons with consistent delivery will continue 4 days a week. This will ensure all of our pupils continue to make progress in their understanding of sounds and letters.</p> <p>This half term we are reading ‘The Elephant Detectives’ by Ged Adamson where our writing focus linked to the text will be labels, captions and lists. Next, we will read ‘Rainbow Hands’ by Mamta Nainy. The pupils will be immersing themselves in both books through various sensory experiences before learning new vocabulary and developing their skills in building a sentence.</p>	<p><b>Maths</b></p> <p>In maths this half term we are continuing to build on our knowledge of number, whilst also working on addition and subtraction. Pupils will be practising adding more, and comparing amounts to identify which plate has less using various practical resources.</p> 	<p><b>PSHE</b></p> <p>This half term our topic is ‘Being Safe.’ We are going to be learning about what trust is, and how we have the permission to say yes or no in various situations. We will then be exploring how we can keep ourselves safe when using the Internet and what information we should not share online.</p>
<p><b>Geography</b></p> <p>This term we will be continuing our learning about Human Geography. We will recap the features of a local town, such as Dudley. We will then move onto looking at the differences between a village, a town and a city. We will look at videos, images and maps to compare the features of each settlement. We will explore key themes linked to population, houses, buildings and transport.</p> <p><b>Music</b></p> <p>Our weekly session will be a Charanga block ‘Contrast’ where we will be using different types of instruments to create a beat. We will also use different beaters independently. The pupils will also practise singing familiar songs.</p> <p><b>Horticulture</b></p> <p>This half term we will continue to focus on Planting, Cropping and Maintenance. We will be visiting a garden centre and exploring different types of seeds. We will be planting various seeds and exploring what different plants need for them to grow. The pupils will also look after plants and compare their features.</p>	<p><b>Curriculum Newsletter</b>  <b>Spring 2024</b>  <b>(Second Half Term)</b>  <b>Red Class</b></p> 	<p><b>Computing</b></p> <p>Our topic on ‘desktop publishing’ begins this half term. We will be using computers and laptops to consolidate our skills when using a mouse and keyboard. We will be practising how to edit text or a document. We will be exploring the different ways we can alter a document or text.</p>
	<p><b>Science</b></p> <p>In Science, we will be learning about life cycles and growing. We will begin this topic by exploring how babies and animals change as they grow. We will then begin to consider the human life cycle. We will then be considering what a life cycle is and how it is different for various animals. We will explore the life cycle of a chick, a butterfly, and a frog. We will witness firsthand how a chick changes as it grows, creating a diary noting down the various features at the different life stages.</p>	<p><b>Art and Design</b></p> <p>This half term we will be learning about natural printing and the artist William Morris, who used lots of repetitive prints in his work. We will be learning what a print is and how a print can repeat. We will be exploring various pieces of wallpaper and polystyrene printing. We will then be making our own polystyrene print on a tile, and understanding the techniques involved so that the print does not smudge.</p>
	<p><b>Engagement and Community Visits</b></p> <p>Community visits linked to the curriculum will continue each week. They will be linked to Science, Geography, Horticulture, Art, Food Technology and PSHE.</p> <p>We will also continue with regular visits to the local library (which will happen throughout the year). Look out for an invitation to join us to read with your child.</p>	<p><b>PE</b></p> <p>Our games-based PE lesson this term is based on Badminton. We will be exploring how to hold a badminton racquet correctly and exploring the difference between a tennis ball and a shuttlecock.</p>
<p><b>RE</b></p> <p>This half term RE will be a focused week at the end of Spring 1. We will be learning about ‘Where do rules come from?’</p>	<p><b>Food Technology</b></p> <p>In Food Technology this term we will be using the chopping skills we developed in the Autumn Term to make various pasta sauces and pasta dishes.</p>	