

Important dates and Celebrations:

Monday	1 st Nov	All Saints' Day	Christian
Tuesday	2 nd Nov	All Souls' Day	Christian
Thursday	4 th Nov	Diwali/Deepavali	Hindu Holiday
Friday	5 th Nov	Guy Fawkes Day	
Sunday	14 th Nov	Remembrance Sunday	
Friday	19 th Nov	Children in Need	Wear spots, bring £1 for Children in Need
Sunday	28 th Nov	First Sunday of Advent	
Monday	29 th Nov	First Day of Hanukkah	Jewish holiday
Tuesday	30 th Nov	St Andrew's Day	
Monday	6 th Dec	Last day of Hanukkah	Jewish holiday
Wednesday	8 th Dec	Feast of the Immaculate Conception	Christian
Friday	17 th Dec	End of term	School finishes early
Tuesday	21 st Dec	December Solstice	
Friday	24 th Dec	Christmas Eve	
Saturday	25 th Dec	Christmas Day	Bank holiday, Christian holiday
Sunday	26 th Dec	Boxing Day	
Monday	27 th Dec	Bank holiday	
Tuesday	28 th Dec	Bank holiday	
Friday	31 st Dec	New Year's Eve	



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CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL

RISE UP



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Autumn 2. We continue our learning with our new topic, Into the Woods which will see your child/children explore the history of green spaces across the UK.

I ask that you remember that homework is sent out on a Friday and due back on Monday morning. Reading books will now be sent home on Friday and to be returned the following Friday. Palm Tree will now have one PE lesson a week and it is on Friday.

As always, do feel free to ask me any questions you may have.

Kindest,
Ms. Sewell

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Autumn 2 2021

Maths

We start this term by consolidating our knowledge of place value within 10. We will then develop our mathematical skills within the four operations by looking at addition and subtraction within 10. We will end this term by learning about shapes. To support your child please ensure they are counting forwards to 20 and backwards from 20 with you.

Writing

This half term, we continue to retell familiar stories. Some of the stories we will be retelling are; The Tiger Who Came To Tea, The Gruffalo and Whatever Next. Our focus this term is letter formation and punctuation. We incorporate our daily phonics lessons during writing so that children are able to sound out their words and when writing their sentences. To support your child/children please practice writing the different letters of the alphabet with them ensuring they are forming all letters correctly.

Computing

The children will be learning how to code this term. Their lessons will teach them how to control a Bee-Bot's movement by deciding how many steps it will take and in what direction to help it navigate around a map.

Reading

We continue to follow the Read Write Inc reading structure and children will continue to be regrouped according to their reading ability so that they are able to make progress with their reading ability. To help support and encourage your child/children to become more competent readers please practice their phonics sounds with them daily as this will help them to become more fluent readers.

Science

As scientists, the children will immerse themselves into our 'into the woods' topic by exploring nature and the outdoors. They will learn how to identify and name some common wild and garden plants. They will also strength their scientific skills of asking simple questions and gathering and recording data to answer these questions.

Music

This half term Year 1 will be looking at the different sounds that can be found in nature and how musical instruments can be used to imitate real sounds.

This half term in Year 1...

History and Geography

We encourage the children to be geographers and historians by accurately using maps and looking at pictures from the past and present to identify what has changed. This term they will use these skills to investigate local green spaces as well as forests across the UK. They will then use these skills to create a map of their own and we hope that by the end of this unit the children will have an appreciation and understanding of the need for trees in our environment.

Art

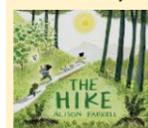
The children will start this unit by learning about oil and acrylics painter Sari Shryack. They will then use this new knowledge to help them draw leaves and plants and then use watercolours to create their masterpiece.

Religious Education

We start this term learning about Saints and their importance to Christians. We will then learn about the Nativity story and the importance of the 'Good News', why Mary and Joseph were chosen and the importance of shepards, Herald and the Three Wise Men.

We are reading:

In this story three young girls go on an adventure to explore their local woods. They see different types of wildlife and plants along the way of their very unpredictable hike.



Just a reminder...



Can you please check your child's clothes regularly to ensure they are labelled so they are easily identifiable.

Please ensure that your child is wearing their P.E. kit on **Friday** for their lesson.