

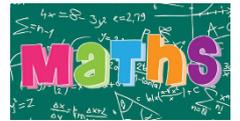
Curriculum Newsletter

This term's **BIG** question: What if Paddington got lost in Daventry?

This is our enquiry this term and will therefore be the focus for all of our learning. Our enquiry will be led by your children, giving them the opportunity to ask and write questions that will drive this topic.



Maths: This term in Maths, the children will be investigating numbers to 100. We will start by looking closely at numbers to 20 and understanding their place value before exploring larger numbers. The children will be deepening their knowledge of place value to understand that a digit's value will depend upon the place it is in. The children will be making lots of numbers to ensure that they recognise the different values and can then draw representations to solve calculations. The children will compare numbers as to whether it is greater than, less than or equal to and amount. We will use the mathematical symbols $<$, $>$ and $=$ to show these.



English: The children will continue to develop their understanding of sentence structure. We will continue to use our phonetic knowledge as well as a growing knowledge of spelling rules to our writing. The children will be encouraged to say their sentence before writing. We will continue to practice finger spaces, capital letters and full stops with growing accuracy. We will create exciting sentences that include adjectives and adverbs. As their confidence grows, the children will explore other pieces of punctuation such as question marks, exclamation marks and inverted commas. The children will continue to be visited by the phonic fairy who helps us to learn sounds so we can decode and write words.



Computing: We will be using technology to create pictures. The children will also learn the importance of saving work and being able to retrieve it again.

Science: As Paddington takes us around the world, we will meet other animals along the way. We will be classifying these animals and looking closely for similarities and differences. We will explore different animal habitats and explore why animals have different habitats. As the seasons change, we will continue to investigate what changes we can see.



Geography: This term we are following Paddington Bear around the world. We will begin by exploring atlases to find locations. The children will then see that the world is made of seven continents. To find Paddington Bear, the children will explore South America and Peru in particular. We will begin to compare where Paddington Bear lives in comparison to where we do, looking closely at human and physical features of the environments.



Art: We are very lucky to have an artist coming into school and working with us this term! He will be supporting the children as they develop different artistic techniques. The children will be using a range of techniques to create pictures and sculptures.

P.E: In Dance, the children are exploring the different ways that their body can move. The children are creating dances to fit into a story. We are also practising and developing our athletic skills. As it is not too cold just yet, please provide outdoor shoes and long trousers as we will be using the playground as much as we can for these lessons. We will also have a PE coach working with the children once a week.

Music: The children will be learning about different sounds. We will continue to learn a repertoire of songs and rhymes to sing.

History:

PSHE: Our Jigsaw friends are back to help us once again. This term we will be learning about 'Being Me in My World'. As we are settling into our new classes, we will look at how we can help each other to be the best that we can be.



Reminders:

- Home Learning projects will be put on Class Dojo during the first few weeks of the term. Please keep your eye out for this and return any learning to school within the term. These will then be showcased at the end of each term.
- Oxford Reading Buddy – Don't forget the children can access a library from the comfort of their own home. If your child is having difficulty logging in, please speak to a teacher and we will try to resolve this as quickly as we can.
- Our **PE** will be on **Tuesdays** and **Wednesdays**. Please keep PE kits in the children's lockers. We will send these home every week on a Friday. If your child wears earrings, please ensure they have micropore tape to cover them or a pot to put them into after taking them out.
- Water bottles will be sent home every Friday for washing, please ensure that this is returned every Monday so that your child has access to a drink throughout the day. The children also use their water bottles at lunchtime. If we have to issue your child a new water bottle you will be charged £1.00 via our parent pay system.
- Please also keep an eye out on Class Dojo for other announcements that may arise.

Your sincerely,

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Mrs Sheridan

Miss Harris