

Literacy—This half term we will be revisiting writing simple sentences, remembering capital letters, full stops and finger spaces. We will be learning and reciting nursery rhymes, looking at rhythm and rhyme. They will write their own stories and a letter to Mother Goose. We will continue with our phonics groups, ensuring the children are confident at identifying set two sounds in real words and alien words.

Numeracy—This half term we will begin to start counting in twos. We will then move on to adding and subtracting. We will continue to multi-represent numbers in lots of different ways. The children would really benefit from playing lots of board games at home which involve rolling a dice or problem solving e.g. chess, snakes and ladders.

Science— We will be looking at and naming a range of everyday materials including wood, plastic, glass and rock. We will be looking at and testing suitable materials for a waterproof coat for Katie Morag. We will continue our longitude study where we will look at the different seasons — focusing on winter this term.

Geography— The children will be finding out all about Calmore and will be looking at the local amenities. We will find out where Calmore is in the world, and learn that the UK is made up of four countries. The children will devise their own simple maps with a key.

Art— In art this half term the children will investigate portraits by a variety of artists. They will explore a range of drawing media and explore how colour can be used to convey moods and emotions. They will then draw their own self portrait.

PSHE - We will be looking at who is important to us, including people who care for us and groups that we belong to. We will discuss different features of family life, and celebrate our similarities and differences.

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Computing— The children will continue to use the Ipads, bee bots, computers and talking tins. We will continue to practise logging on to the computer using our own user name. We will program bee bots to follow simple instructions. The children will be creating their own map of Calmore and programming the bee bot to visit different places on our 3D map.

Music— Mrs Constance will introduce the children to the story of 'The 3 Bears' and will begin to explore pitch with them. They will be exploring their voices, percussion instruments and how you can make, change and combine sounds.

PE— In Real PE this term we will be focusing on jumping and landing. In Real Gym this term our focus is shape and travel.

How to help at Home:

Books: Please can you hear your child read their 'reading books' including the phonics book. We know children who regularly read at home make more progress with reading.

Play board games or number games that involve counting on.

Support your child in recognising coins by playing shops. Tell the time to o'clock and half past.

RE - On Monday 13th November we will be fully immersed in Diwali Day and how Hindus celebrate. Later this half term we will be looking at the theme of journeys within the Nativity story. Children will relate this to a journey they have made with a good / exciting ending. They will listen to the nativity and act it out, thinking about why the end of the journey is so important to Christians.

Drama— We will use role play to retell stories, thinking about the characters in the stories and how we could portray them. We will also be acting out the Christmas story.