

Key Stage 1 Autumn Term 2021

'Who would live in a place like this?'

This term we will be looking at what animals need to survive, their habitats and our own locality, through the story of Little Echo.

English

In English the children will be retelling the story of Little Echo through drama and publishing their own Little Echo books. They will be developing the skills to evaluate and improve their own work. They will be listening to and reading stories by a variety of authors, discussing which they like/dislike and making links. They will be writing instructions and information texts about looking after pets. They will continue to develop their reading skills during phonics and guided reading lessons. Phonics and spelling patterns will also continue to be taught.

Mathematics In Year 1 the children will be reading, writing and ordering numbers to at least 20; counting forwards and backwards in steps of 1's, 10's. They will be learning to add and subtract within 20 and beginning to recall these facts. They will also find out about properties of shapes. Year 2 children will also be developing their understanding of place value, addition and subtraction, multiplication and division. They will be solving problems with money. There will be lots of opportunities to increase their fluency within number and also their ability to reason. They will be counting in 2's, 5's, 10's and 3's.

Computing

The children will be developing their skills of coding by writing instructions to program floor robots. They will also be creating posters and handling data using the laptops.

Science

The children will be looking at the local wildlife and considering what living things need to survive and how to look after pets. We will also be having a visit from a local vet. They will create their own habitat for 'Little Echo'. During walks around the locality, the children will be looking for seasonal changes.

Personal Development

This half term the children will be thinking about how they are becoming Powerful Learners. Through 'Little Echo' we will discuss what makes a 'safe and happy place'. The children will think about how we can make Frome a safe and happy town. The theme during PSHE will be 'Families and Friendships'.

P.E.

This half term the children will be developing their ball skills when learning invasion games and developing sequences of shapes in gymnastics. They will be working hard in circuit training.

Geography

During the topic the children will be going on a hunt for Little Echo looking at the physical and human features of the local area. They will be following, drawing and creating 2D/3D maps with symbols.

Music

The children will be learning songs to perform for Harvest and Christmas. They will add accompaniments to songs, adding actions and learning to keep a steady beat.

Art and DT

In DT the children will be using textiles to create their own 'Little Echo', designing, making and reviewing their work. They will be developing their drawing skills of animals and buildings which will help them produce resist paintings. They will look at work by the artist Arcimboldo to inspire their own work.

History

Following our walks around the local area the children will be looking at some of the ways that Frome has changed over the years.

R.E.

During these lessons, Year 1 children will be thinking about the question 'What do Christians believe about Jesus?' and Year 2 will find out what Jewish people believe about Torah?