

Curriculum Newsletter

Class: 12 - Griffins

Term: Autumn 1



Our topic this term is Awesome Autumn which focuses on seasonal changes and observing how the world around us changes during the season of Autumn.



This half-term, we are exploring poetry. Our key text is a poem called Awesome Autumn. We are also reading: Code name Bananas by David Walliams

MY COMMUNICATION



In our weekly reading session, we will be exploring our key text – Awesome Autumn poem, using our senses to explore autumnal objects, sounds and smells. We will practise our mark making and fine motor skills in our Move Draw Write sessions using Autumn-themed trays. We have sensory sounds three times a week where we will be exploring a different sound each week – this term our sounds are M A S T and D. We will continue to work on our individual communication targets throughout the school day.

MY THINKING AND PROBLEM SOLVING



In our maths sessions, we are developing our counting skills linked to our individual maths targets. We will also be learning about measurement, including length, weight and capacity through practical application and exploration activities. Our science work will link to the Awesome Autumn topic of seasonal changes. We will be exploring Autumnal objects such as leaves, conkers and acorns.

MY PSED



In our PE sessions we will be developing our physical competence through participating in Yoga sessions and beginning to use a basketball in throwing and catching games. This term we are going to access PE with our peers in Class 1. In Life skills we will be exploring how to plant and care for vegetables. We are hoping to plant some potatoes and have them ready for winter! We will also be exploring different types of vegetables and how Chefs use them in different ways to create lots of delicious food.

MY CREATIVITY



In our Art and DT sessions this half-term, we are using different tools and media to create Autumnal artwork. This will include using water colours, oil pastels and sponge printing to see what different effects it has on our artwork. Our main focus in art this half-term is to communicate our choices using objects, symbols or switches. In our cooking sessions we are working on following a recipe and naming ingredients. Each week we will be making savoury muffins, with a different key vegetable in each week, such as leek or peppers.

THE WORLD ABOUT ME



We learn about this area of the curriculum through our Friday Theme Days:

- 8th September – National Read a Book Day
- 15th September – Friendships and Respectful Relationships
- 22nd September - Using Technology to Communicate and Online Safety
- 29th September - European Day of Languages
- 6th Oct - RE Day: Our Community Harvest Festival
- 13th Oct - World Food Day
- 20th Oct - Geography Topic - Awesome Autumn

OTHER INFORMATION



We have PE lessons on a Monday.

On September 21st, 22nd and 23rd we will be completing NCS at Woodland Adventure zone. We will be leaving from school each morning and taking our usual transport home

On a Friday lunchtime, we join our peers for lunch in the hall.

Please keep an eye out for notes in the diaries for personal care equipment which we need in school.