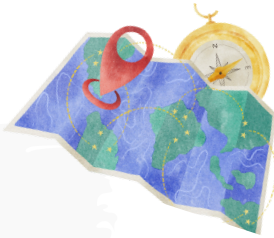




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Phonics

This half term we will be beginning to learn our phase 3 sounds and consolidating our phase 2 learning. We use Pearson's Bug Club Phonics to do this. Within these lessons we will practice our letter formation, blend sounds together to read words and write dictated sentences.

English/ Communication and Language

Most of our English is covered in our phonics lesson. To coincide with our topic we will have core texts that we will explore. These will include 'The Boy who sailed the world', 'Look Up' and 'Real Superheros'. We will also be reading many other stories, poetry and rhymes together. We will be continuing to focus of our listening skills and our comprehension of stories. We will be continuing to develop our letter formation, writing CVC words and continue to develop on phonetical awareness.

Physical Development

In our PE sessions we will be focusing on dance for this half of term, looking at a variety of themes and expressing themselves through movement.

We will be also be focussing on using a comfortable pencil grip with good control, being healthy, moving with balance and control, negotiating space and making recognisable letter shapes.

Maths

This half term we will be focussing on subitising to 5 with a focus on die patterns, the composition of 5, ordering numbers and looking at numbers 6 and 7 in a 'five and a bit' structure.



Understanding the World

Our beautiful planet - We will be using our senses to explore outdoors and discover the wonders of the natural world. We will plant seeds, mix plants in the mud kitchen and learn to care for our beautiful planet.

Around the World - We will be exploring diverse global environments, comparing them to local ones through activities using digital map exploration, books and role play.

Peek into the Past - We will be reflecting on memories and experiences from our own past and comment on images of familiar situations in the past.

Other topics we will be learning about include 'Space' and 'People Who help us'.

PSHE

This half terms topic is all about 'Keeping Safe'. We will be discussing how to stay safe, people how help to keep us safe, what is safe to go onto and in our bodies and how to stay safe online. We will be continuing to explore our feelings, learning different ways we can manage our emotions and develop our independence.

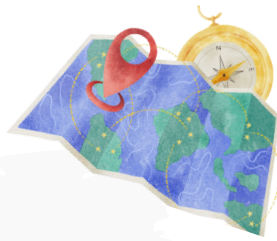
Music (Expressive Arts)

This half term our unit will be based around the piece The Sorcerer's Apprentice by Paul Dukas. We will explore how music can tell a story and will be supported in identifying elements in music within a piece, such as dynamics (loud/quiet) and tempo (fast/slow). They will have the chance to compose using percussion instruments and respond creatively to music in the form of movement and writing.





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Art and DT (Expressive Arts)

This half term we will be doing DT. We will be exploring healthy eating and using different skills to make a range of foods, including biscuits, sandwiches and smoothies.

RE

Within RE we will be looking at how people celebrate the New Year. We will think about how we celebrate and compare that to celebrations from around the world.

How you can support at home

Each week your child will come home with a reading book for them to read to you, please sit with your child and support them in sounding out and blending the words as well as discussing the story. The flashcards with the sounds and CVC words we have learnt so far are great for playing lots of games, maybe you can take turns being the teacher or hide them around the house and try to find them. We add sounds to them as we learn them so please ensure they are put back in their book bags along with their books so we can update them.

Thank you for your continued support and we look forward to an exciting half term!

New - Explorers

We're excited to introduce additional weekly Forest School sessions - Explorers. These sessions will take place every Friday that we do not have Learning Outside the Classroom days. In these sessions we will be exploring a wide range of topics through outdoor learning, play, and discovery. For these sessions, your child will need suitable, weather appropriate outdoor clothing. Please ensure your child brings Forest School clothes to change into after lunch if they do not already have a set in school. We look forward to lots of muddy, meaningful learning adventures!

Key Dates

- Friday 26th January - Reception Forest school day
- Friday 6th February - Parent forum in the Beacon room, Stogumber village hall @ 9am
- Thursday 12th February - 'What I want to be when I grow up' dress up day - further details to follow
- Friday 13th February - Stogumber forest school day and Family Service - all welcome - Stogumber Church @ 2.30pm

