

Fairytale Phase: Autumn 1

What we are learning:

Mental Health and Well-being

One of our greatest priorities this half term is to support children in coming back into school and feeling safe and well. We have spent time talking about changes in school and are structuring our lessons so that they gradually become more formal as the term progresses. We will do all we can to support and prepare them for the learning ahead. We will continue to be in contact with you using the class emails.

Writing

We are going to be using the story of Goldilocks and the Three Bears to develop our writing skills this half term. We will be focussing on our key writing skills of phonics, finger spaces and basic punctuation. We are mostly going to be using FANTASTICS, to help us write ambitious sentences.



Phonics

This half term in phonics we are beginning by revising sounds children learnt last year, we will then quickly move on to learning new sounds and applying this knowledge in our reading and writing.

Design and Technology

We will be going back in time to become Coventry's Ribbon makers. Investigating weaving with different materials.



Maths

This half term the children will be catching up with missed learning due to the COVID-19 lockdown. We will also be prioritising the children's fluency skills in maths to prepare them for their learning for this academic year.

Our Maths curriculum for this half term will be working on

Place Value and Addition and Subtraction.

Children in Year 1 will spend this half term working within numbers to 10. They will be becoming confident with counting, reading and writing numbers to 10. Consolidating their knowledge of number order and sequencing and beginning to gain a deeper understanding of addition and subtraction. In Year 2 most children will begin with working within 20. They will work on becoming confident with adding and subtracting within 20 so that this becomes fluent, enabling them to use these number facts when working with larger numbers. Children will then begin to develop their number knowledge of numbers to 100, becoming confident with counting, reading and writing numbers to 100

Last year, we introduced **99 Club** across the school to improve standard mental fluency. This will be reintroduced this half term. Children can practice this on Maths Shed.



History

This half term we are going to be learning about our local history. Children will find out about Coventry's industrial past as the main producers of ribbon in England.

PE

In PE this term we will be focussing on being active and learning about the importance of a healthy lifestyle. Children will be developing their key skill of balance.



Science

We are learning all about Materials and their properties.

We will be helping Baby Bear find the best material to use for his new school raincoat. We will be naming different materials and investigating the properties of materials. We will learn the scientific words; transparent, opaque, flexible and rigid. Can you child tell you what they mean?