

Into the Woods!



RE: Jesus was a brilliant storyteller but just what did his stories mean? The children will listen to stories from the New Testament and discuss the messages within them.

Science: This half term our main science focus will be on different everyday materials and their properties. We will use the story of the Three Little Pigs to find out the durability of different materials as well as carrying out many other experiments to explore absorbency and magnetism. The children will learn about microhabitats within woodland and discuss food chains, focussing on how animals depend on one another.

DT: Children will design and make their very own house for the three little pigs. Can it withstand being blown down by the big bad wolf? The children will make additions to their design as this experiment progresses and they will evaluate their house based on the strength of the material that they chose. They will also make a carriage for a princess or prince, equipped with 4 working wheels.

Spanish: The children will continue to build upon the Spanish that they learned in year 1. They will learn greetings and ask how you are. They will also learn to use some classroom language.

Music: The children will build upon the work from year 1 with the Charanga music programme. We will explore a range of music genres, focussing on South African music and freedom songs. We will look at the historical context of musical styles as well as exploring Nelson Mandela. The children will begin to learn the recorder.

PE: Class 5 will have PE on Tuesday and Wednesdays and Class 6 on Monday and Tuesdays. However, this can change so please ensure your child's **labelled** PE kit is at school every day.

This half term we will be developing the children's basic skills of balancing and travelling both on and off the apparatus. We will also learn some team games to develop the children's racquet skills.

Art: We are aiming to bring more art and creativity to all of our topics this year, and we will be kicking off with the skill of sketching. The children will learn how to use pencils of varying thicknesses to create different effects, and how to use crosshatching for texture. They will then apply their skills into a final piece of artwork based on the advert 'The Bear and the Hare'. We will also use the story the Tin Forest to explore art using different materials. We will end the term by plaiting different materials to create Rapunzel's hair. Which material will be the strongest?

ICT: E-Safety (Digital Literacy) will begin our ICT work - the children will be reminded how to use computers, technology and the internet safely using the resources from "Hectors World" and "Kara and Winston and the Smart crew". We will use Microsoft Publisher to type up a fairy story and learn how to change the font of the text as well as how to add in interesting pictures. We will use online software to explore recycling and create a recycling poster. **#Responsiblecitizens**

PSHCE: The children will think about their new school year and what they want to achieve. They will discuss new beginnings, feelings and will think about what it means to be a good friend. We will explore teamwork using the book 'Blown away' and we will begin to look at the effects of deforestation. **#Responsiblecitizens**