

Curriculum Newsletter

Spring 1 2024

Fireflies Class



Money, Money, Money!

As Readers we will be learning about the traditional, Chinese fable, The Magic Brush and about persuasion texts. We will be bringing both types of text to life using story or text maps and actions. We will learn about how the adjectives are used to enrich the story and to make persuasion texts more powerful. We will also investigate what we can learn about story characters from the language used and the style of writing in a story.



As Writers we will be planning and writing our own conquering the monster stories based on what we have learnt from reading The Magic Brush. We will put our learning about persuasion texts into practice by writing advertisements for the snacks that we will be designing in Design and Technology!

As Mathematicians we will be using money to help develop our understanding of place value and addition and subtraction. We will have a 'class bank' and learn about earning, spending, saving and interest with our own Fireflies account! We will investigate multiplication using repeated addition and arrays and begin to recall some multiplication facts. We will also be learning to measure capacity and weight.



As Scientists we will be learning about living things and their habitats. Starting with whether an object is alive, was once alive or has never been alive. We will investigate the features of different animal groupings to understand the reasons they live in a particular habitat.

We continue to learn about seasonal change, investigating what we can see and feel and collecting data about the weather to see if we can find patterns over time.

As Explorers we will be learning about how computers are used in our daily lives, developing our mouse and keyboard skills and learning about how to use computing equipment safely.



As Artists and Designers we will be learning about portable snacks. We will investigate the different types of portable snack that are available and design our own. We will practise some of the techniques and skills that we may need to use to prepare our snacks, for example, chopping, grating, spreading and weighing. We will create our snack and evaluate its success.

As Olympians we will learning about dance. We will consider how we can use our bodies in a variety of different ways to respond to music. We will work individually, in pairs and small groups, as well as as a whole class, to devise, practice and perform dance routines.



PE kits should be worn for school every Monday please.

This overview is intended to give you a flavour of what we will be learning this half term. If your child would like to share any learning that they have done at home, please feel free to send it into school or post photographs on Class Dojo so that we can celebrate their achievements.