

Hoad Curriculum Overview Spring 1 25

Literacy

We are going to be using Mini Grey's Toys in Space as our main text this half term. We will write letters, complete character descriptions and eventually write our own version about lost toys going on a journey.

In SPAG we will be continuing our work on different word families (nouns, adjectives, verbs and adverbs) as well as learning about different types of sentences and suffixes.

Library Change Day for Hoad is Monday. Please make sure library books are in folders if your child wants to change their book.

As children progress through the reading bands the texts become longer. If you want to keep the book at home for longer, please either retain the reading folder or pop a note in your child's reading record.

Children reading in Blue and Yellow Bands benefit from at least three 'reads' of their Home-School Reading books to help develop fluency and prosody, following the pattern we use with our Little Wandle reading books in the classroom.

Reading change days in Hoad are Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Maths

We will be continuing our work on addition and subtraction strategies before moving on to shape, multiplication and division.

We are continuing with our Tables Challenge on Fridays. Children are learning their 2,10 and 5 times tables. To get their certificates they need to be able to say the complete table without a prompt sheet and then answer 4 random tables questions.

To help practise tables children can use TT Rockstars using their log in, or 'Hit the Button' on the Topmarks website.

Science

As well as our seasonal visit to look at the flora and fauna in different habitats on our school field, we are going to be thinking scientifically about how materials can be changed (reversibly and irreversibly).

RE

We will look at different versions of the story of Joseph in the Old Testament and think about why he is sometimes known as a Bible hero.

Geography

We are going to learn all about maps and the geography of our local area. We will find out why we use different types of maps, how to read them and have opportunities to draw our own maps.

PSHE

Our unit for this half term focuses on ways in which we might belong to different communities and how everybody can make positive contributions to these communities.

PE

As well as learning some winter dances this half term , we are going to build on the sending and receiving skills we learnt with Cam last term to participate in simple team games.

ICT

In ICT we will learn how to use the direction keys to plan, solve and de bug algorithms. We will also look at the uses of technology in and out of school.

Music

Children will learn a new song, play tuned and untuned instruments as well as experimenting with creating different styles with the same song.

Art

Our art unit this half term focuses on mosaics. We will look at how mosaics have been used by artists throughout history and then plan, make and evaluate our own mosaics using cardboard 'tesserae'.