



We Are All Builders!

Start Date
January 2019

End Date
April 2019

Values, PSHE & RE Topics

Our PSHE this term will be Staying Safe both in the real world and online. Our values will be Hope, Faithfulness and Service respectively for each month. In RE this term we will be focusing on 'Our Special Books' and 'Why Christians Put a Cross up at Easter'.

This term our Take Home Task is to design and make a well-known fairy tale character. We will begin our term with the Jolly Postman and understand what a fairy tale is. We will be looking closely at the different types of characters found within a fairy tale and trying to name as many as possible. Talk to your child about any fairy tale creatures that they are interested in and begin your designing. Children have until the last week of the Spring Term to bring in their completed projects which will be displayed to the rest of the school and other parents during our Topic Exhibition.

This term our topic is all about being builders and looking at the world around us both past and present.

In Literacy, this term we will be focusing on looking at fairy tales. We will be looking at a range of different fairy tales such as Red Riding Hood, Cinderella and Jack and the Beanstalk. Children will be retelling these stories as well as creating some of their own. We will be looking to use key fairy tale language as we write and develop our writing skills.

Our Topic work links nicely with the fairy tales and building as children will be researching castles both on the inside and outside! Children will be designing and making a castle of their own that must be fit for a King or a Queen; whilst later on in the term children will then be designing a royal tapestry when we study text tiles and the weaving process. We will also look closer at the properties of materials in science and gain a better understanding of what they can be used for and what purpose they hold.

In Maths children will be looking at a range of different mathematical skills this term beginning with pattern making, money, 3D shapes and multiplication and division. Please ensure that you are counting and recognising numbers in your environment in order to help children readily recall numbers.

Homework:

Overleaf are the Year 1 and Reception tricky and high frequency words that they should be learning how to read and spell throughout this year. After reading with your child, use these flashcards and see how many they can read. When they are confident on reading these words move onto spelling them. The flashcards are in phases and children should not attempt to read all the flashcards in one go, rather read them in small manageable sets.

Please make a note of new words that your child is able to read or spell without prompting.

