



Godmanchester Bridge Academy
Year 2 Curriculum Focus - Autumn



English

In English this term, the children will have a range of writing opportunities. We will begin the term by looking at grammar and punctuation. Throughout this unit, the children will be learning about the different parts of speech, such as verbs, nouns, adjectives and adverbs, different sentence types and the relevant punctuation. After this, we will move on to the celebration story Binny's Diwali. This is a story about a girl who is celebrating Diwali, and decides to teach her classmates all about it!

Maths

This term the children will have many opportunities to explore mathematical concepts. We start our learning with place value where the children learn how to make numbers to 100 and partition them. Next, we will look at addition and subtraction where the children will use a range of manipulatives and written methods to add and subtract a range of 2 and 1 digit numbers. Later on in the half term, we will be looking at the properties of 2d and 3d shapes.

Science

Our science topics this term will be Animals Including Humans and Living Things and their Habitats. The children will identify and classify animals, investigate physical adaptations, diet, behaviour and habitat.

Foundation Subjects

History - We will be learning about schools in the past. The children will explore what schools were like in 1900, 1920s and 1960s. We will end our unit by deciding if the children would prefer to go to school in the past or present.

Geography - We will be answering the question— Would you prefer to live in a hot or cold place? The children will explore North and South Pole, Kenya and the UK. They will learn facts about the places and then choose which place they would like to live in.

Art - We are learning about maps. The children will draw a map of their journey to school. They will choose sections of their map and turn it into a collage showing different skills. They will make felt, use tissue paper and colouring pencils to create an abstract map.

DT - We will be learning about structures. We will use this knowledge to help build a chair for Baby Bear.

PSHE - We will be learning about Families and Relationships. Then we will be moving onto looking at Health and Wellbeing.

RE - We will be learning Why Do We Give Thanks? We will learn about beliefs surrounding using offerings to show gratitude, including learning about what equipment is used during Hindu puja and writing lyrics for a song of thanks. After this, we will learn What Do Candles Mean to People? This will involve investigating the many ways light is used in religious and worldview contexts, exploring different festivals through artwork and stories.

PE - We will be learning to create a movement phrase in indoor PE that shows the friendship between a penguin and a snowman. In outdoor PE the children will be developing their fundamental skills. After half term, the children will learn how to make ball, wall and tall shapes in gymnastics. We will also further develop their fundamental skills.

Computing - We will be learning What is a Computer? And about the different parts of a computer. We will also be learning about online safety, including how we can be safe when using the internet. We will also be learning about algorithms and debugging code that doesn't function properly.

Music—We will be learning how to sing as a group, ensuring we listen to others. We will also be preparing for the Christmas Performance.

Additional Information & Reminders:

Please check Class Dojo for PE Days.

Water bottles are needed in school everyday.