

Dear Parents

The table below outlines our class overview for the Autumn term 2009.

This will give you the opportunity to provide valuable home links essential to your child's overall education. Many occasions will arise where parents can reinforce the work the children are engaged in at school.

It may be day-to-day activities, a visit to a relevant place of interest or time spent at the local library researching information linked to a topic. The support and time spent at home is appreciated and will assist us in educating your child

Year: 2

SUBJECT	TERMLY OVERVIEW
RE	<p>The Chosen People The children will learn that we are chosen by God . They will learn that God chose Abraham and that he trusted in God to guide him. They will study the stories of Moses and Daniel.</p> <p>Mysteries The children will learn that there are three persons in one God and that we can think about him in different ways. They will learn about God's choice of Mary and Joseph. They will learn that Jesus is God's gift to the whole world.</p>
ENGLISH	<p>COMPREHENSION AND COMPOSITION - The children will be reading and writing poems and stories with familiar themes. They will also be reading, writing and sequencing simple instructions.</p> <p>SPELLING AND VOCABULARY- The children will be developing their understanding and correct use of phonics in their spelling, improving their handwriting and developing their vocabulary in their oral and written work.</p> <p>GRAMMAR AND PUNCTUATION - The children will be identifying nouns, verbs and adjectives. They will also be consolidating their knowledge of where and when to use capital letters and full stops and learning how to use conjunctions (joining words).</p>
MATHS	<p>To say, read and write number names and figures to 100. To recognise odd and even numbers to 100. To count on and back in tens. To know what each digit in a two digit number represents. To understand the operations of addition and subtraction. To identify doubles and near doubles of numbers. To recognise coins and find totals. To write and solve word problems. To know mathematical names for 2D and 3D shapes. To begin to recognise multiplication as repeated addition. To use appropriate measures for weight, length and time. To find halves and quarters of shapes. To sort classify and organise information.</p>
SCIENCE	<p>GROUPING AND CHANGING MATERIALS - The children will be distinguishing between an object and the material from which it is made. They will find out the ways that materials can be changed.</p>

	FORCES AND MOVEMENT - This unit will develop the children's understanding of how pushes and pulls affect the movement and shape of objects.
ICT	CONTROLLING A FLOOR TURTLE - The children will learn how to test, modify and store instructions to control the movements of a floor turtle. CREATING IMAGES - The children will be using a computer program to produce images and pictures.
ART	MOTHER NATURE, DESIGNER -The children will explore important elements of art; shape, line, colour and texture in natural forms.
GEOGRAPHY	An Island home -looking at life on the Isle of Struay, Scotland. Comparing employment, leisure, traffic and life-style generally of inhabitants. Comparing the terrain.
HISTORY	REMEMBRANCE DAY -what are we remembering? Significance of poppies.
DT	PUPPETS - The children will be designing and making their own puppet.
PE	Games -The children will be learning how to coordinate and control their bodies and use a range of equipment. Dance The children will be composing and performing dance phrases and short dances that express and communicate moods, ideas and feelings. Gymnastics The children will learn different ways of travelling and balancing. They will learn to carry apparatus safely.
P.S.H.E.	FRIENDS - The children will be helped to understand that true friends show a sense of responsibility to each other and to consider what kindness involves and what actions are kind and unkind. ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS - The children will be helped to understand the need to treat the local community with appropriate respect.
MUSIC	STEPPING AND JUMPING -The children will be looking at rhythm sequences in music. They will use tuned and untuned instruments and learn harvest and Christmas songs.