

Computing

This term our computing unit is called: **'We are Animators'**.

The children will be creating their own **animated cartoon**, using characters which they create themselves. Earlier **graphics** work will be reinforced as children use a simple paint tool to create characters and backgrounds. They will then translate a **storyboard** idea for their animation into a series of scripted instructions for graphic objects on the computer. They will be using the **Scratch** and **Microsoft Power Point** software during this unit of work. The children will be taught **'e-safety'** to enable them to be safe internet users in school and at home.

Religious Education

This half term our focus is **Buddhism**.

We will learn about Buddha's life, **enlightenment**, teaching and death, and how **Buddha** changed people's lives. We will explore beliefs about life and death by finding out more about Buddhist beliefs about **reincarnation**.



Finally we will discover the images which other faith communities use to help and inspire them.

Music

Year 3 will continue to have their weekly ukulele lessons in preparation for the Spring Term Music concert as well as their weekly singing lessons in practice for the Spring Term Singing Concert.

Reading

Our reading programme is aimed at encouraging children to read to parents/carers every day. All children have been issued with a reading record which should be signed by an adult who has listened to them read. Awards will be issued in assembly for children completing 10, 20 and 30 books.

Please aim to read with your child daily - reading regularly at home helps your child learn more effectively and will improve their vocabulary, spelling, grammar and concentration.

Spelling & Home Learning

You will receive a **Home Learning Passport** detailing projects and questions for you and your child to complete at home. All homework is carefully chosen to link closely with your child's school learning.

If you have access to the internet at home, your child has a unique username and password that they can use to access **Mathletics**. This online programme subscribed to by the school, will help your child to improve and reinforce their maths skills. <http://uk.mathletics.com/signin/>

Spellings will be sent home on **Fridays**: Children will have 1 week to find out the meaning of each word and learn the correct spelling for their spelling test on the following Friday.

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English

Focus Text: 'Tales of Wisdom & Wonder' by Hugh Lupton.

'Tales of Wisdom and Wonder' is a collection of folklore from around the world. There are seven stories in all, each representing cultural and geographical versions of folklore. How can a blind man see more than his companion, the hunter? What will become of the peddler who decides to follow his dream? How do fishes find themselves swimming in the grass of a forest? Nothing is quite as it seems in this book.

We will also be reading a variety of other texts for pleasure and to enhance their reading comprehension skills. They will be writing in different styles and learning how to check and edit their work. There will be a strong focus on handwriting, vocabulary, grammar and spelling.

At The Devonshire Hill Nursery & Primary School our vision is to equip your child with core academic and social skills needed to be prepared for life.

We teach our children:

Responsibility
Initiative
Curiosity
Optimism

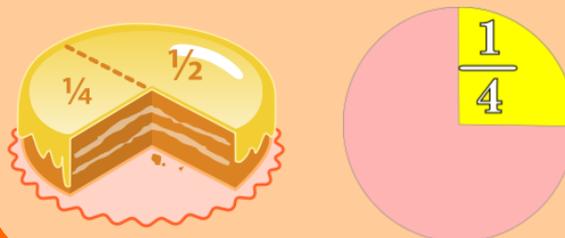
Independence
Generosity
Perseverance
Social Intelligence

Mathematics

This term we will be learning how to calculate and measure a variety of shapes. We will draw and complete drawings of shapes with a reflective line of symmetry using mirrors.

We will be reading and recording the vocabulary relevant to position, direction and movement, as well as using the four compass directions to describe movement on a grid.

We will use written methods to record, support and explain addition and subtraction of two-digit and three-digit numbers. The use of practical and informal written methods will help us to support the multiplication and division of two-digit numbers (e.g. 13×3 , $30 \div 4$); along with this we will be finding unit fractions of numbers and quantities, e.g. one half ($1/2$), one third ($1/3$), one quarter ($1/4$) and one sixth ($1/6$) of 12 litres. Finally we will be rehearsing multiplication facts for the 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8 and 10 times-tables and the corresponding division facts.



Topic: Scavengers & Settlers

Focus Figure: Bear Grylls

Focus Text: 'The Secrets of Stonehenge' by Mick Manning

This term we will be looking at the period of history from Early Man to the Iron Age. We will discover the main characteristics of the people and cultures that existed during the Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age, including hunter-gatherers and early farmers. We will compare the similarities and differences between the ages and compare them to society today. In Art we will be creating our own prehistoric cave paintings as well as making and decorating pottery inspired by one of the periods which we are exploring. Using what we have learnt, we will also be making our very own fossils.



Physical Education

Amber Class will focus on **Gymnastics**.

Pupils will develop co-ordination, balance and control. We will be applying these skills to create sequences and to learn advanced jumps. Finally we will improve our peer and self assessment of individual skills and create our own routines.

Coral class will commence their weekly swimming lessons and must bring their swimming kit to school for their swim day.

PE will be on Thursday.
Swimming is every Friday

All children are required to take part in physical education. Your child must have a school PE kit with plimsolls in school on their PE day.