

## English

This half term the children will be studying stories from other cultures. The children will read the stories “Handa’s Hen” and “Handa’s Surprise”. They will have the opportunity to act out the stories and sequence them and they will write speech bubbles for characters in the stories. The children will write a recount of “Handa’s Surprise” and then they will plan and write their own version of “Handa’s Hen”. The children will also study the story “Meerkat Mail”. The children will plan and write their own fact-file about meerkats, and they will also write a list, postcard and diary entry related to the text.

## Grammar

The children will be using the prefix ‘un’ and they will use ‘and’ to join clauses. The children will add the suffixes -ing, -ed and -er to verbs where no change is needed to the root word, and they will use the plural noun suffixes -s or -es.

## Science

This half term our topic is “Animals including Humans”. The children will identify and name a variety of common animals including fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals. They will identify and name a variety of common animals that are carnivores, herbivores and omnivores. The children will learn that animals vary in many ways, having different structures such as wings, tails and ears. They will learn that they also have different skin coverings, for example, scales, feathers and hair and that these key features can be used to identify them. The children will also learn that humans (and other animals) find out about the world using their senses. The children will also observe seasonal changes in the Summer.

## P.E.

The children will take part in dance lessons led by a specialised teacher where they will work towards a dance performance. In Games, the children will be practicing games which focus on direction and speed.

## Computing

Our topics this half term are Animate with Shapes and Drawing Maths. The children will learn what a frame is and will go on to use technology to draw 2D and 3D shapes and to explore shapes around us.



## Phonics

The children will be covering set 1, 2 and 3 depending on ability.

## D&T

Our topic this half term is “Structures”. The children will be making their own bird cage for the school garden. They will talk about their ideas and make drawings. The children will then select the tools and materials they need to make their structures and explain their choices. The children will then build and finally evaluate their structures.

## R.E.

This half term our key question is “What Makes Some Places Sacred?”. The children will explore places that are sacred to Jewish people and Muslims and compare them with a Christian Church.

## P.S.H.E.

Our topic this half term is “My Money”. The children will learn about where money comes from and think about making choices when spending money. The children will also learn about saving money and how to keep it safe. In Resiliency lessons, the children will think about gratitude, understanding their emotions and building confidence.

## Maths

This half term the children will be introduced to Time. They will explore seconds, minutes and hours and order the days of the week and months of the year. Then the children will tell the time to the hour and half past the hour. Next the children will move on to the topic Money. They will recognise coins and notes and sort and classify them into groups. The children will then go on to count coins in 1s, 2s, 5s and 10s. Finally, the children will explore Position and Direction. The children will describe turns and explore position. The children will use positional language to describe the position of an object.

## Geography

This half term our topic is “UK Locational Knowledge: Are the UK capital cities similar or very different?” The children will name, locate and identify the four countries of the United Kingdom and their capital cities. The children will identify some human and physical characteristics of Edinburgh and London and they will label and annotate maps and aerial views of the two cities. The children will discuss how London and Edinburgh are similar and different and they will discuss which location would be better to visit.

## M.F.L. – Spanish

This half term our topic is “Summer”. The children will learn the names of some sea creatures and show understanding of words for sea creatures. They will count forwards to 20 and identify numbers out of sequence. They will join in with a song about sea creatures and take part in circle games.

## Music

Our topic this half term is “Reflect, Rewind and Replay”. The children will have the opportunity to revisit and consolidate the learning which has taken place over the year. They will listen to and appraise a variety of different pieces of music and play a variety of different rhythm games.

## Enrichment

The children will visit Knowsley Safari Park to complement their learning of their science topic Humans and Animals. The children will participate in Sports day.