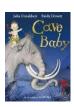
Cedar Class Autumn Curriculum Overview



We will cover a range of tonics in the following subjects during our first term in Cedar Class

Aim for the Highest	The following information applies up until Christmas.	
Subject	Focus	Home Learning
English	This term in English we will be reading:	Reading













Cave Baby by Julia Donaldson The Journey Home by Frann Preston-Gannon The Big Book of the UK by Imogen Russell Williams We are Water Protectors by Carole Lindstrom Astro Girl by Ken Wilson-Max Twas the Night Before Christmas by Clement Clarke Moore

We will use these texts as starting points for various fiction and non-fiction texts. Our focus will be on correctly writing simple sentences with accurate punctuation. This will be done through a range of shared, dictated and independent writing. Your child will build on the skills last year and continue to use Fred Fingers to spell words using their phonics knowledge.

Where appropriate, children will continue to receive daily Read Write Inc. sessions to continue to develop their sound knowledge, reading fluency and comprehension skills.

Those children who are no longer receiving RWI sessions, have whole class reading instruction sessions twice a week exposing them to a variety of texts and three lessons a week focussing on spelling rules and patterns.

All the children practise their handwriting skills daily, focussing on letter formation, size of letters and being able to write on the line.

Share stories regularly with vour child and discuss what is happening. As well as encouraging them to read their AR books independently, listen to them read aloud and ask them questions about what they have read. When reading RWI books, please read the speedy green words, story green words and red words before reading the text. Speedy recall of these words will help to support your child's

reading fluency. **Spellings**

Please ensure your child is practising their spellings at least 5 times a week. They can use Spelling Shed to consolidate previously learnt spellings by accessing Stage 1 for Year 1 and Stage 2 for Year 2.

Children in Year 2 will also be tested on their Rainbow spellings so please ensure that you are helping your child to learn these. Your child can access Rainbow Spellings on Spelling Shed by clicking on the more button. You can also download paper copies from our website or collect paper copies from school. By the end of Year 2, your child should be able to spell all of the white, yellow and green spellings.

Handwriting

Please ensure your child can form all their letters correctly, including capital letters and that they sit on the line and are the correct size and orientation. For more information on how to support handwriting, click this link.

For help in forming letters correctly, you can use these

videos.

Writing

Why not have a go at writing a seguel to one of our stories? It could be inspired by your own favourite animal or even a pet!

To further understand the English objectives that your child should know by the end of each year, click here

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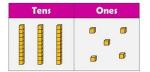
Rose Maths have free

workbooks and home

learning videos.

Maths The children will start the year by looking at place value, initially within 20 to ensure key concepts are

Place Value



Addition and Subtraction



Shape



Children will learn that all living things move, breathe, sense, grow, make babies, get rid of waste and get their energy from food. This will lead them to identify that living and non-living things. We will also look at habitats such as woodland, urban, coastal, rainforest,

place value charts and part-whole models.

moving to visually represent these.

After half term, we will be moving on to

resources to help children understand this.

We will then be learning about the properties of 2D

and 3D shapes and using these to identify and sort

them.

Children will be given regular opportunities to practise arithmetic skills previously learnt, as well as chance to

apply new skills to reasoning and problem-solving

tasks.

recommended for number secure. We will build numbers and represent them in bond and subitising work. different ways, including using tens frames, Base 10, White Rose 1 Minute Maths is also a great resource to Children will then apply this understanding of place practice subitising and the value to addition and subtraction within 20. This will be done through the use of concrete resources such as consolidate learning they tens frames with counters and Base 10 to ensure have done in school, White children can see the structure of the maths before understanding place value within 100, again using

Number formation

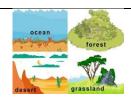
Please ensure your child forms their numbers correctly and that they are not reversing numbers.

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Science

Living things and their habitats

Go for a walk and see what different habitats and microhabitats you can find this could be a damp log,



Materials



arctic, desert, ocean, river, mountain. Children will learn that a habitat provides living things with everything they need to survive.

Later in the term our topic is Investigating Materials, where we explore everyday materials such as water, wood, glass, metal, plastic, brick, fabric, stone and paper. Children will then learn that each of these materials have different properties which make them suitable for specific purposes.

woodland, rock pool or even your own garden. Build a bug hotel or hedgehog house for the garden or park.

Spot different objects around you and discuss the materials they have been made out of. What properties made that material good for that object? Could you improve it?

The BBC educational website has lots of information: KS1 Science -**BBC Bitesize**

PSHE



Feelings & emotions **Keeping and staying** safe Being responsible

Keeping/Staying safe

In this unit, children will know the reasons to make sure their laces are tied, learn how to tie up laces properly, know rules to keep themself and others safe and understand the differences between safe and risky choices.

Being Responsible

During this topic, children will be able to name ways they can improve in an activity or sport, understand the importance of trying hard and not giving up and be able to see the benefits of practising an activity or sport. They will discuss how they can help other people, be able to recognise kind and thoughtful behaviours and actions and understand the risks of talking to people they don't know very well in the community.

Feelings and Emotions

In this unit, we will focus on worry and anger. Children will be able to recognise and name emotions and their physical effects and know the difference between pleasant and unpleasant emotions. They will then learn a range of skills for coping with unpleasant/uncomfortable emotions and understand that feelings can be communicated with and without words.

To help you and your child practise tying their shoelaces at home – this website has some different techniques to try. This could also include tying bows on presents in the lead up to Christmas.

Talk to your children about what they find challenging and work together to set achievable goals to help them practise this.

Discuss what has been learnt that day, or ask them to list 3 good things that happened and how they are feeling. You could try keeping a journal together to track any patterns. This website has a list of prompts to help guide conversations.

Geography The UK

This term we will be learning all about the UK, including the countries that make up our nation, their capital cities and their flags. When looking at London, we will learn about some of the most famous landmarks. We will also look at the key physical and

Look at a map of the UK together and spot all the different places you have been as a family. Are there



human features that distinguish each country. Finally, we will learn about the population of the UK and how it is a diverse, multicultural country with people living here for all sorts of reasons.

any parts you'd like to explore? Why? The BBC educational website has lots of handy guides to the UK: KS1 Geography - BBC Bitesize

History **Food and Farming**



After half term, we will focus on the history of food and farming in the local area, looking at how this has change from the past to now. We will cover the different tools and machinery that have been used to harvest the crops and carry out agricultural tasks over the years with a focus on how this has changed since the industrial revolution.

Talk to your children about where our food comes from and how this might have been different for people in the past.

You could take a trip to <u>Tiverton Museum</u> where they have lots of artefacts from local farms.

RE

Who is Muslim and how do they live?

FIVE PILLARS OF ISLAM









Over the first half term we will be learning about Islam and how Muslims live. Pupils will learn about some of the key Muslim beliefs about God and learn about the 99 names of Allah. Pupils will encounter stories about the Prophet and find out about what these teach Muslims today about ways of living. Pupils will learn about the five pillars of Islam and how these impact upon the lives of believers. They will learn about the importance of prayer and what it means for Muslims all over the world.

Encourage your child to talk about what they believe and share your beliefs and values together. Discuss similarities and differences between views within your family and celebrate these as important and interesting.

After half term we will talk about the key events from the Christmas story in more detail. Pupils will find out about how Christmas is celebrated today and begin to consider which traditions are secular and which are religious. They will focus on religious artwork, saying

how and why it helps Christians today to celebrate the

key events from the story.

Christmas story at home – you could act, draw, or rewrite it.

Get creative and retell the

The educational BBC website has videos about how lots of different religions show care: KS1 **Religious Education - BBC** Bitesize

Why is Christmas so important to **Christians?**



Art & Design





Our Art topic will be led by Miss Keary this term. The children will begin the year by looking at painting and mixed media. In this unit they will name the primary colours and mix these to make secondary colours, then create different shades of these. They will learn to apply paint consistently to their printing materials to achieve a print and use a range of colours when printing. For their final piece, children will use these skills to create a plate in the style of Clarice Cliff.

After half term, children will spend art sessions designing and making their lanterns ready for the parade in December.

Look for colours in your everyday surroundings and discuss how light or dark the shade is.

This video has lots of interesting information about Clarice Cliff and guides you through how to make a piece of artwork inspired by her. The BBC educational website has some

resources. KS1 Art and Design - BBC Bitesize

interesting learning

Miss Keary will lead our music sessions. Our first topic Listen to lots of different Music this year is 'Hands, Feet, Heart' which is inspired by music and try to find the South African music. Children will listen to four further pulse in them through body songs to deepen their understanding of this theme percussion. Ask them what before composing and performing their own version. instruments they think they The focus is finding the beat and rhythm of the song. can hear. There are lots of examples on YouTube. Our second song will be 'Ho, Ho, Ho!' which is a Make instruments from junk Christmas song to complement the children's nativity and repeat back rhythms. practises. This unit will use similar activities to the previous song but will introduce the concept of 'pitch' The BBC educational alongside rhythm. website has some learning resources. KS1 Music - BBC Bitesize We will begin the year with a dance topic to help build PE Encourage your children to core strength, balance and expression. be active; we are blessed After half term the children will be learning football with many different clubs skills to improve their invasion games strategies and and opportunities for skills from Exeter City's RTC programme. physical development in our village and the local area. In our digital painting unit, we will explore the world Encourage your child to Computing of digital art and its exciting range of creative tools. create artwork both on and **Digital Painting** Children will create their own paintings, while getting off-screens at home. inspiration from a range of other artists. They will also Paintz.app is the online tool children will be learning be asked to consider their preferences when painting with, and without, the use of digital devices. about. Digital writing We will then look at digital writing to develop children's understanding of the various aspects of BBC Dance Mat is fantastic using a computer to create and change text. They will for developing typing skills. familiarise themselves with typing on a keyboard and begin using tools to change the look of their writing, The BBC educational and then they will consider the differences between website has some helpful using a computer and writing on paper to create text. learning resources. KS1 Computing - BBC Bitesize Design Technology this term will focus on freestanding Go on a walk and/or look at structures. We will plan, design and create structures photographs of the local area to explore structures whilst demonstrating measuring, marking out, cutting, such as playground shaping, joining and finishing techniques with new and equipment, street furniture, reclaimed materials. walls, towers and bridges. Ask them what materials they think have been used?

Why have these been chosen?