through iMedia – iCommunicate.

Specialist-Led Learning

Expert teaching, Richer Learning

Alongside their class teacher, children learn with specialist staff across our wider curriculum.



Ridwan – Computing



Developing digital communication and creation skills through iMedia - iCommunicate.



Jack – PE



Developing basketball skills including control, movement, passing and teamwork.



Dan – Music



Exploring songwriting with glockenspiels through rhythm, melody and performance.

Every Day Counts

Aim for 96%+ attendance

In Year 1, every day matters. Regular attendance helps children keep up with phonics, build friendships and grow in confidence.

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Learning Conversations at Home

You can support your child by talking with them about what they have been learning during the day or week. You do not need to know the answers — showing an interest, asking questions and encouraging them to explain their thinking helps them make connections and remember their learning.

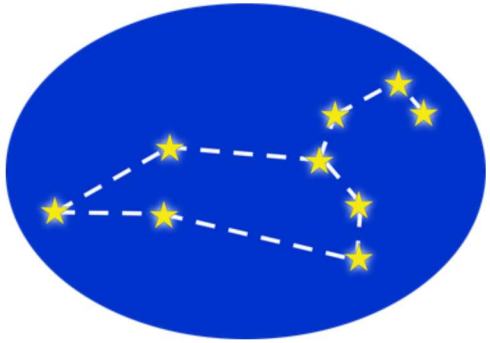
Questions you could ask:

- What did you learn today?
- What was the most interesting thing you found out?
- What new word did you learn?
- What did you find tricky?
- Can you teach me something you learned?

Key Vocabulary to Revisit

Windrush • Jamaica • journey • belonging • season • weather • slider • mechanism

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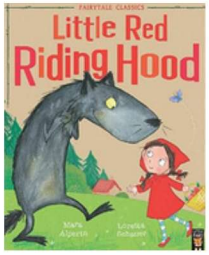
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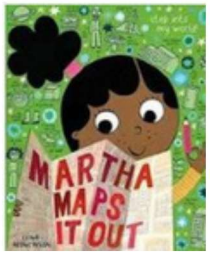
English

This half term, children will explore Little Red Riding Hood, Martha Maps It Out and Thank You, Omu! They will retell stories, describe journeys and places, and develop their sentence writing using capital letters, full stops and sequencing language.

Reading







Reading is at the heart of our curriculum. Children learn to read through daily phonics and guided reading using carefully matched decodable books. Through rich stories, shared reading, English texts and story time, they also build vocabulary, comprehension and confidence in talking about what they have read.

Tricky Words: words we learn to recognise quickly because they cannot always be sounded out in the usual way.

Tricky words to practise:
the • said • was • you • they

Science

Children will investigate seasonal change and explore the question What are our seasons and how are they different? Through seasonal walks, they will observe the weather, notice changes and begin to record what they discover.

Theme

Changing the World: The Windrush Generation, Why did people come to Britain?

Maths

Children will develop their understanding of numbers to 10, including counting, comparing and representing numbers in different ways. They will then begin to explore addition and subtraction within 10, using practical resources, pictures and number sentences.

History & Geography

Children will explore Jamaica and identify some of its human and physical features before following the journey of the Windrush Generation from Jamaica to Britain. They will sequence events from the past and learn about David Lammy and his work connected with the Windrush scandal.

Design & Technology

Children will explore mechanisms and sliders through the question, How can you make a picture move? They will experiment with movement, then design and make a moving picture.

Religious Education

Big Question: Who is a Christian and what do they believe? Children will explore Christian beliefs about God, Jesus, the Bible, miracles and prayer. A visit to a church will help them see how Christian beliefs are expressed in a place of worship.

Personal Social Health Education

Children will learn about their rights, why they are important, and recognise examples of kind and unkind behaviour.

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