

Cookham Rise Primary School

Ash 2 Autumn Term



English

As readers and writers, we will continue working on the RWI phonics program. We will focus on a quality selection of fiction and non-fiction texts for reading and writing activities.

Maths

As mathematicians, we will be learning about place value, addition and subtraction and also shape.

Geography

As geographers, we will be comparing hot and cold countries. In this unit, the children will learn to name then locate the seven continents of the world, North and South Poles and the Equator on a map. We will describe some similarities and differences between the UK and Kenya, recognising the features of hot and cold places.

History

As historians, we will be exploring 'How was school different in the past?'. The students will demonstrate their understanding by recognising similarities and differences between schools now and schools in the past. We will use sources to research and develop an understanding of what schools were like from 100 years ago to present day.

Science

As scientists, we will learn about living things and their habitats. We will recall some life processes, giving examples of how they apply to plants and animals. The children will classify objects into alive, never been alive and was once alive, giving reasons for their choices. We will also match plants and animals to their habitats, giving examples of how animals use their habitat for food and shelter.

Opportunities, creativity and community

This term, the children will have the opportunity to take part in creating an animated advert. They will perform in our annual Christmas production to an audience and watch a pantomime in a theatre. Each member of Ash 2 will be given the opportunity to have a position of responsibility throughout the year being responsible helpers in the classroom. The children will learn and use basic Makaton.

Art

As artists, we will be enjoying the unit, Explore and Draw. Children are introduced to the idea that artists can be collectors: they go out into the world, look at things in new ways, and bring things back to the classroom to inspire their art. Children explore observational drawing and experimental mark making.

Computing

As computer scientists, we will learn about what a computer is. By the end of the unit, the children will be able to name some computer parts and their functions, recognise that buttons cause effects and explain that technology follows instructions. At the end of the unit, the children will design an invention which includes inputs and outputs.

Design Technology

As design technologists, we will be learning about mechanisms by designing and creating a fairground wheel. We will evaluate our designs and improve on them throughout the unit.

Life skills

As citizens, we will be exploring families and relationships. The children will develop an understanding of how families can all look different, and also recognising difficulties in friendships and how best to resolve these issues.

Music

As musicians, we will be exploring the unit, 'Hands Feet and Heart'. We will learn to sing, play, improvise and compose with this South African music. We will learn to play the Ocarina as well.

PE

As athletes, we will be practicing fundamental skills, sending and receiving skills, ball skills and dance.

RE

As theologians, we will be exploring the question, 'Why do we need to give thanks?' and 'Why is light important to people?'. We will explore different ways in which people give thanks to their God and how different religions are celebrated, including Diwali, Hannukah, harvest celebrations and the meaning of Advent.