

## English

### Reading.

#### We will be:

Continuing twice weekly guided reading sessions. During guided reading we will be developing decoding skills and comprehension skills.

Honing our decoding skills during daily phonics

sessions, practising how to sound out real words and 'alien' words & exploring alternate pronunciations for the same grapheme.

Listening to and discussing a wide variety of texts,

including non-fiction, traditional and contemporary fiction and

Poetry, focussing particularly on recognising and using the features of non-fiction texts.

### Writing.

#### We will be:

Doing lots of talk for writing including drama work, picture book stimuli and exploring, describing and discussing old toys (ready to be museum guides)

Improving our sentence writing by saying out loud each sentence before we write it.

Planning and writing our own stories based on a contemporary story.

Producing a detailed museum guide containing lots of information writing

Practising our handwriting twice a week.

### Spelling.

We will be continuing a weekly spelling test routine and expanding our knowledge of letters and sounds through our daily phonics sessions.

### Grammar.

#### We will be

using full stops and capital letters correctly and be beginning to read our own writing to check that it makes sense.

## Science

### Knowledge.

#### We will be:

Learning about the different seasons and how weather and day length varies during different seasons

### Working scientifically.

#### We will be:

asking questions and using observations and ideas to suggest answers to questions.

Gathering and recording data by measuring in cm to help answer questions about similarities and differences.

Identifying, naming and classifying different animals.

### Skills.

We will be questioning, observing, describing, comparing, naming, labelling, drawing, testing, measuring and explaining.

## Maths

### Number.

#### We will be:

Adding and subtracting one and two digit numbers to 20

Solving one step problems involving division by sharing concrete objects

Investigating the commutative law in relation to addition

Counting to and across 100 forwards and backwards

### Other areas.

#### We will be:

Finding halves and quarters of shapes and amounts

Comparing lengths, widths and heights

Measuring length, width & height using non-standard and standard units

### Problem solving / investigations.

#### We will be:

carrying out open ended investigations that will help us to make links and see patterns.

Playing games and carrying out activities to encourage the use of mathematical vocabulary and explanation.

**Our Theme is**

**Toys 'R' Us**

### Ways You can help at home.....

- Read with your child every day.
- Help your child to practise their weekly spellings and complete homework.
- Use comparative language to describe length e.g. Longer, shorter, taller, longest, shortest, tallest etc.
- Discuss the toys you used to play with and if possible provide an exhibit for our toy museum.
- Discuss the daily weather and seasonal changes.



### R.E.

#### We will be:

- learning about The story of Rama and Sita and the way that Hindu's celebrate Diwali
- Learning about Advent and how and why-Christians celebrate Christmas.

### P.E.

- With our sports coaches we will be having fun with the 'Fundamentals' programme, running, jumping, throwing and catching.
- We will be moving to music and learning dance sequences using the BBC 'Let's Move' programmes.

### Art and Design.

#### We will be:

- creating artwork by weaving using a variety of materials including, paper, ribbon, wool and plastic.
- designing, making and evaluating a 'Jumping Jack' toy.

### P.S.H.E.

#### We will be

- We will be participating in anti-bullying week by discussing what 'bullying' means and looks like and by learning strategies to help us deal with situations that may make us feel unsafe.

## Our Theme is Toys 'R' Us

### I.C.T.

#### We will be:

- We will be learning about algorithms by creating our own computer games. This will involve creating and debugging a simple program.

### Humanities.

#### We will be:

- be exploring changes within living memory and developing an awareness of the passing of time by observing and writing about toys from the past.
- be looking at similarities and differences between ourselves and others
- closely observing a beech tree in the school grounds throughout the year to see what happens to it as the seasons change.

### Music.

- We are enjoying Participating in the County Music 'Singtastic!' Programme.
- We will be learning and performing lots of songs for our Christmas production 'Are We Nearly There Yet?'