

Literacy

During the first half term of 2014, the children will be looking poetry. We will be reading and writing poems, based on the theme of transport looking at rhythm, description and structure. Our non fiction unit will include looking at instructions, their purpose, and how to write them. This will be linked closely to our DT work of designing and making a vehicle. Towards the end of the half term we will be looking at stories about fantasy worlds and the children will write their own adventure stories, based on a book.

Phonics will continue to be taught on a daily basis to aid the children's reading and spelling skills.

Alongside reading on a one to one basis with the class teacher or classroom assistant there will continue to be strong focus on guided reading sessions. This is in order to develop the children's comprehension skills and their understanding of the texts they read. We will focus on exploring features of texts, understanding characters along with their actions and feelings as well as discussing whether we like the texts and why.



Numeracy

Linked to our work on transport, the children will answer questions by recording information in lists, tables, block graphs and pictograms. The number work, this half term, involves addition and subtraction of two digit numbers using empty number lines and partitioning methods. We will also be counting on and back in steps of 1, 2, 5 and 10 from zero and counting on and back in steps of 1 from any number. The children will be able to recall number bonds to 10 and to 20. Together, we will solve problems involving adding, subtracting and counting. Maths challenges will continue each fortnight.



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