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As theologians we will... find out about:-

Lent - We will look at the basic meaning of Lent and link it to the life and teachings of Jesus. We will think about symbols and Jesus in the wilderness. Children will understand how they can get ready for Easter.

Holy Week - We will learn about some of the events of Palm Sunday and what Jesus said and did at the Last Supper.

You can help by: sharing and talking about these stories at home.

English

As readers and writers we will... continue to emphasise the need to orally compose sentences before writing and thinking about the best words to use. We will also be focussing on re-reading our work, editing and adapting it to make it better for the reader. The children will learn about different types of sentences, questions, exclamations, statements and commands. We will be working on getting all the children to use the correct joins in their handwriting and to think carefully about using word banks around the room to help them to independently spell words.

You can help by: looking out for different types of sentences when reading with your child.

Numbers, Shape, Space and Measure

As mathematicians we will... start to learn about shape and how to describe 2D and 3D shapes using vocabulary like vertices, sides and corners.

We will then move on to fractions which will involve fractions of shape and fractions of amounts. We will also continue to look at time.

You can help by: talking to your children about shapes around us. Begin to talk to your children about fractions. The biggest help of all will be to support your children in learning their tables. This means knowing the multiplication facts and the corresponding division. For example, knowing $2 \times 5 = 10$; $5 \times 2 = 10$ and that $10 \div 5 = 2$ and $10 \div 2 = 5$. The first tables to learn are the 2's, 5's and 10's. When you are confident with these, move on to 3's. Remind your child of their number bonds to 10 and 20 and encourage them to be fluent at counting in 2's, 5's and 10's from any number. You can also help by talking to your children about time.

Science

As scientists we will... be closely observing the changes of our Class frogspawn. The children will be encouraged to ask scientific questions and to learn new vocabulary. We will identify and spot signs of spring. The children will learn about the structure of flowers and, in particular, the daffodil and find out what plants need to grow.

You can help by: looking for signs of spring and naming parts of a plant.

PSHE

Respectful You!

We will be talking about how we can celebrate and respect differences. We will also consider how people and living things have rights and responsibilities and we will think about how we can care for the environment.

You can help by: talking about what your child can do to care for others and the environment.

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Spring has sprung!



Expressive Arts and Design

As artists and designers we will... make close observational drawings of daffodils and develop these using different media. We will look at the painting Dancing Daffodils by John Nolan for inspiration.

You can help by: pointing out all the different shades of yellow you see.

History / Geography

As geographers we will... compare the physical and human features of our locality with Kampong Ayer located in Brunei. We will look at local wildlife and plants and compare them. We will also look at homes here and compare them with homes in Kampong Ayer.

You can help by: helping your child locate Brunei on a globe or Google maps. Discuss with your child where you have been in the world and locate the places.

Computing

As digital citizens we will... learn that computers need precise instructions to follow. The children will learn that an algorithm written for a computer to follow is called a program.

You can help by: talking about any algorithms that they use during their lives.

Music - Expressive Arts

As musicians we will... follow a new unit called Zoo Time where the children will begin to recognise the basic style indicators of Reggae music.

You can help by: listening to different types of music at home and talking about how it makes you and your child feel.

PE

As athletes we will... be focussing on a range of different physical and gymnastic skills developing balance, agility and co-ordination.

You can help by: ensuring PE kits and plimsolls still fit and are in school all week.