

English

During the next 2 terms, we will be using a variety of texts related to the outdoor environment. We will begin by using 'Stick Man' by Julia Donaldson. The children will re-tell the story as well as creating their own characters and settings to write their own stories based on the plot. Children will be encouraged to apply the range of punctuation and grammar skills they have learnt during the previous 2 terms. We will then be using the texts 'Snail and the Whale' 'Tin Forest', 'Tidy' as stimulus for fiction and non-fiction writing. As part of our non-fiction writing we will be writing a report on snails.

Please continue to listen to your child read 5 times a week.

Maths

For maths this term, Year 2 will be continuing to look at shape and pattern, with a focus on 3D shape. We will then be moving onto time, multiplication and division. Year 1 will be looking at missing number problems using addition and subtraction and then will moving on to addition and subtraction. All children will continue to look at a range of strategies and methods to solve problems and calculations.



Sticks and Stones



Key Stage 1 Terms 3 and 4

This topic is Sticks and Stones, which will run during terms 3 and 4. We will be starting our topic with a WOW start, which will have an art and design technology focus. We hope this will excite and motivate the children, encouraging them to ask questions about their learning. We will be thinking about how to take care of and sustain our environment, the over-arching question for this topic is **'Should we look after our planet?'** Our science focus will be on sorting and classifying materials and discussing the process of recycling. The children will be carrying out experiments to test materials for their properties and using the results to complete a DT project to build a shelter for Stick Man and his family! During our outdoor learning, we will be learning to tie different knots and looking at natural materials within the environment as well the impact of the use of plastic and the effects it has on our environment. During PE, all children will be taking part in bat and ball skills and will have time with a tennis coach. Please ensure your child has appropriate and named PE kit in school all week. We do teach PE outside so they will need a warm tracksuit bottom and top. During our ICT lessons, we will be following a unit of work on animation. We will be continuing with their 'Successful Learner' wheels. Children will be encouraged to identify for themselves where they feel they have been successful and developed positive learning behaviours.