

Woodland Birds, Year 1 and 2



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Summer 2, 2019

Sparrow, Goldfinch and Robin

Oh we do like to be beside the seaside

Maths

This half term, we will be focusing on position and direction. Giving and following a range of directions. We will also explore a range of problems using our measures knowledge e.g. mass, capacity. Children will work on their reasoning skills, building on knowledge and explaining how they know an answer is correct or incorrect. During the summer term, we will also be addressing any gaps in mathematical knowledge which have arisen during lessons and assessments.

English

This half term our writing is based on a narrative 'The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch'. We will be reading and retelling parts of the story as well as exploring other fiction and non-fiction linked to the seaside. We will continue to develop our writing of sentences and whole texts by writing descriptions, non-chronological reports, explanations and story retells. We will continue to work on consolidating our grammar and looking at using correct verb forms for different tenses. All children will work on mastering the spelling of common exception words for their year group and the correct use of punctuation for sentences.

Curriculum foci

Art and Design: In DT we will be exploring designs and structures of transportation vehicles. Children will then use a range of materials to design, make and evaluate their own vehicle.

Science: The children will be learning about food chains (linked to our seaside topic). They will be using scientific vocabulary to talk about animals, how they get energy and the offspring they have.

Geography: The children will continue to learn about oceans around the world. They will develop their skills of using maps and atlases including learning to use directional language. They will also find out about different climates and weather patterns in the UK and worldwide.

History: The children will compare past and present looking closely at how visits to the seaside have changed over time.

Computing: The children will work on giving and programming directions.

PSHE: The children will explore change and how they can make positive changes to help them learn, improve and achieve.

RE: Both Year 1 and Year 2 will be learning about the Jewish faith. This will include learning about Shabbat in detail.

Home Learning - The children's main homework is to **read daily** and learn number bonds through speed games and songs. Year 2 children should also be learning times tables starting with 2x, 5x and 10x. Spellings will continue to be sent home weekly and tests will be on Wednesdays (Friday for Robins). Homework reminders will go out every Friday.

Reminders: Please see the table below which details the days on which each class will usually have their library session. Please ensure that your child has their **indoor and outdoor P.E kit** in school **all week**. This means that PE kits should come in on a Monday and go home on a Friday.

	Sparrow	Goldfinch	Robin
Library	Tuesday	Wednesday	Tuesday

Key Dates:

Monday 17th June	Sports Day
Wednesday 26th June	Sparrow Class assembly
Wednesday 3rd July	International Languages Day
Thursday 4th July	Transition Day
Thursday 11th July	SEN Parents Evening at 3.30pm
Friday 19th July	Break up for the Summer break

Thank you for your support, Woodland Birds Team.