



Save the Date

1 st March	St David's Day
5 th March	Y1 Library Visit
11 th March	World Book Day
12 th March	Y1 Art Gallery Trip
13 th - 20 th March	Book Fair
15 th March	Red Nose Day
19 th March	Y1/2 Easter Model & Bonnet Parade @ 2:15pm
22 nd March	Break up for Easter holiday
8 th April	Return to School

English

This term, we will continue to read a range of quality texts to develop pleasure in reading and improve our comprehension skills. The children have access to a wide range of stories from our class library, which they can enjoy throughout the school day. We will be learning about Stories with familiar settings, focussing on the use of time adverbials when retelling a story. We shall also be focussing on the author Oliver Jeffers and looking at a variety of his stories. We will then use these to help us develop our skills with simple adjectives and conjunctions. We will be looking at shape poems with the children and creating our own.

Design Technology We will be looking at Mechanisms: Wheels and Axles in DT this half term. This will involve the children learning about the main components of a wheeled vehicle. They will develop an understanding of how wheels, axles and axle holders work; problem-solve why wheels won't rotate; to design and build their own vehicle designs.

Music As musicians, we will be studying Timbre and Rhythmic Patterns. We will learn that different sounds can represent characters and key events in a story. Children will clap to the syllables of words and phrases before creating rhythmic patterns.

Religious Education We will talk about Families and will learn to ask questions about stories of individuals and their relationships with God.

Computing On Purple Mash this half term, we will be covering Lego Builders, and maze explorers, allowing the children to practice following and debugging instructions on a computer.

Geography

Our Geography unit this term will be focussing on 'Codsall and Wolverhampton'.

This will include learning about the differences between villages, towns and cities. The children will also be using the atlases to locate Wolverhampton on a UK map and will use a digital map to locate Codsall.

Maths In maths this half term, we will be continuing with addition and subtraction, focusing on numbers to 20 and being able to solve a variety of addition and subtraction problems, using different resources to help us. We will also be focusing on Place Value, with numbers to 50. This will include being able to compare numbers, using greater than and less than, as well being able to place these numbers on to a number line.

Science / STEM

This half term, the children will be continuing with their learning of Everyday Materials and how these are used in our lives. This will include looking at the different properties of materials and being able to explain why certain materials are used for certain objects. We will also continue to look at seasonal change and how Winter and Spring differ, including the changes in temperature, day length and the plants and animals that are seen.

PE / Games We will be taking part in Forest School, which will focus on us developing our teamwork skills. We shall also be doing Gymnastics, looking at fundamental movements and balances.

PSHE We will learn about 'Me and My Safety', learning how to respond to adults in different situations; distinguish appropriate and inappropriate physical contact; understand what to do if lost and how to call the emergency services; identify hazards in the home and people in the community who keep us safe. We will also be learning about Health and Wellbeing, exploring personal qualities, strategies to manage feelings, the impact of sleep and relaxation on wellbeing, the importance of hand washing and sun protection, dealing with allergic reactions and people in the community who keep us healthy.

British Values Focus: Mutual Respect **Birches Values Focus:** Curiosity & Success