



Save the Date

Dates for the Diary	
8 th April	Welcome Back Children
10 th April	Eid celebrations
22 nd April	Earth/ECO Day- Details to follow
3 rd May	SCHOOL CLOSED INSET DAY
6 th May	SCHOOL CLOSED MAY DAY
24 th May	Break Up School Council Day
June-Advanced Notice	
3 rd June	School INSET-Closed for Children
4 th June	Return to School (Final Half Term)
10 th June	Y1 Phonic Screening Check Commences
24 th June	Sports Day EYFS- 9.00am Main School – 10.30am

English

This term, we will be learning about Stories with familiar settings, focussing on the use of time adverbials when retelling a story and the use of conjunctions to extend our sentences. We shall also be focussing on letter writing, and looking at the features that are needed when writing a formal letter. Children will continue to practise their handwriting, using the Little Wandle rhymes, and shall be applying this to their extended writing pieces.

Design Technology We will be looking at Mechanisms: Making a Moving Story Book in DT this half term. This will involve experimenting with sliders before planning and making three pages of a moving story book, based on a familiar story, drawing the page backgrounds, creating the moving parts and assembling it.

Art In Art we shall be learning about Embellishments. The children will develop their skills in measuring, cutting and adding patterns and decoration to create a range of decorative items such as jewellery and headpieces inspired by different cultures using different materials.

Music As musicians, we will be studying Pitch and Tempo. We will learn how to identify high and low notes and to compose a simple tune, explore different instruments and investigate how tempo changes help tell a story and make music more exciting.

Religious Education We will talk about a variety of different stories from different religious texts, discussing their meaning and what they mean to followers of those religions. This will include the stories 'The Kind Samaritan', 'Jesus in the Temple' and the birth of Christ.

Computing On Purple Mash this half term, we will be creating animated story books, using what we have learnt in English to create a story, and then animating pictures to accompany our text. We shall also explore the use of sound effects. We shall also learn what a spreadsheet program looks like. Enter data, add clipart to cells and use the 'count tool'.

History

In History, we shall be covering the Monarchy, focussing on significant Queens throughout our British history.

This will include understanding the role of a monarch and exploring Queen Elizabeth I, Queen Victoria and Queen Elizabeth II in detail.

We shall look at the longest standing monarch in Britain, and the different important aspects that occurred during the reigns of different queens.



Maths In maths this half term, we will be continuing to focus on Place Value, with numbers to 50. This will include being able to compare numbers, using greater than and less than, as well as being able to place these numbers on to a number line. We shall also cover length and mass, using both non-standard units of measurement and cm's. We shall also look at multiplication and division, counting in 2's, 5's and 10's and shall look at sharing numbers into equal groups. This will tie into our future learning of fractions, which will mainly focus on finding a half and a quarter of both shapes and quantities.

Science / STEM

During the Summer term, children will continue to focus on how the seasons change and how we can stay safe as we come into the summer months. We shall also be looking at the unit 'Plants', identifying common plants in our local area and naming the main parts of a plant. We shall also look at each part's basic function.

PE / Games Within PE and GAMES, children will be engaging in Athletics, in preparation for Sports Day. This will include running short and long distances, skipping and throwing and catching. The children will also be developing their teamwork skills whilst engaging in these activities.

PSHE We will continue to learn about how to stay healthy in our 'Happy and Healthy Me' unit, which covers the importance of sleep and why personal hygiene is so important. We shall also cover how to stay safe in the sun and how allergies can affect different people. The children will also cover the unit 'Me in the World', which will teach them about the importance of saving money and the types of jobs that people do, both in and outside of school.

British Values Focus: Tolerance

Birches Values Focus: Honesty