



Changes in Living Memory



Save the Date

September

- 3 School opens for pupils
- 13 Roald Dahl Day (in class activities)
- 18 Individual/Sibling Photographs
- 20 Jeans for Genes Day
- 27 MacMillan Coffee Morning 8.30am to 10.30am

October Black History Month

- 1 National Poetry Day
- 4 Grandparents Day
- 7-13 Dyslexia Friendly Awareness Week
- 2 Phonics Workshop for parents 5.00pm
- 10 World Mental Health Day
- 14-20 Recycle Week
- 16 YR-Y4 Parent Interviews 3.30pm-6.00pm
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- 25 School Council Fund Raising Day/Diwali
- 28-1 Half Term

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 the stories with repetitive phrases, and will be teaching the skills of punctuation during this time. We will also be learning about labels, lists and captions. We will focus on using the full stops and capital letters to demarcate the start and ending of sentences and will be trying to ensure that finger spaces separate all our words.

Arts We will explore mark-making and line; work and experiment with different materials through observational and collaborative pieces.

Music As musicians, we will be studying 'My favourite things', looking at the rhythm of songs.

Religious Education We will listen to examples of care and concern shown by believers and religious communities and explore the reasons for these actions.

Computing On Purple Mash this half term, we will be covering online safety, exploring how Purple Mash works and looking at how we can group and sort objects, both on and off the computer.

History

As Historians, the children will be finding out about how things have changed within living memory (100 years). This will involve looking at the children's grandparents and comparing childhoods with what the children experience today.

This will include looking at the changes in communication throughout the years, houses and the types of toys and how they have developed.

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Succeed... To be
the best 'me' I
can be!**

Maths

In maths this half term, we will be covering place value (within 10), using concrete pictorial and abstract resources and questioning to promote a greater understanding within the children. We will then be using our place value skills to help us with our addition and subtraction (within 10), looking at how to write a calculation and how to answer them using concrete materials and also using mental skills too.

Science / STEM

This term, the children will be starting our new unit of Seasonal Change and Animal including Humans. Seasonal Change will be covered throughout the year and will be focussing on the season of Autumn this term. We will also be looking at naming different animals and looking at the diets of common animals that children may be familiar with.

PE / Games We will be covering playground games, which will include Parachute Games and Team Building games. We will also cover Fundamental Movement Skills (mastering basic movements chasing games). The children will also have Forest School, where they will develop their team building skills.

PSHE We will learn about the importance of rules and consequences of not following them; caring for the needs of babies, young children and animals; explore our similarities and differences and an introduction to democracy.

British Values Focus: Democracy **Birches Values Focus:** Belief & Success