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Together we *learn*, *grow* and *dream*

Half-Termly Curriculum Snapshot

Badgers - Autumn 2

Our Topic for this Half-Term: Where am I in the world?

Key Learning Highlights

Here's a glimpse into the exciting learning journey your child will embark on this half-term, covering all aspects of the National Curriculum:



English:

- What we're reading: How to Live Forever by Colin Thompson and Where Wishes Flew by Michael Morpurgo.
- What we're writing: Developing descriptive narratives.
- Key skills: Paragraphing around a theme; cohesion within and across sentences using pronouns; fronted adverbials.



Mathematics:

- Main topics: Measurement (Area); Multiplication and Division 3s, 6s, 7s and 9s.
- Key skills: Applying problem-solving strategies, developing mental fluency, spatial awareness and reasoning mathematically.



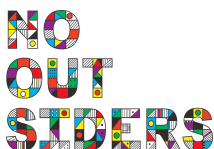
Science:

- Main topics: States of Matter
- Key questions: What are the key differences between solids, liquids and gases? What effect does temperature have? How does water change state in the water cycle?
- Engaging Activities: Active learning; melting, freezing and heating experiments.
- Prior Learning Connection: Everyday Materials



Geography: Where in the world am I?

- Big Ideas: Equator; northern and southern hemispheres; Arctic and Antarctic Circle; Greenwich Meridian and time zones.
- Engaging Activities: Google Earth.
- Prior Learning Connection: Locating countries of the world; knowledge of the UK and Kenya.



Art & Design:

Taught in Autumn 1.

Design & Technology:

Focus: Designing and making a pizza; healthy eating and food nutrition.

- Key Skills: Planning, designing, making and evaluating; following a recipe.

Music:

- Focus: Learning to play the glockenspiel; listening and appraising different genres.
- Key Skills: Performing, listening and understanding musical elements.

Physical Education (PE):

Focus: Gymnastics - Arching and Bridging

- Key Skills: Balance and Co-ordination

Computing:

- Focus: Audio Editing
- Key Skills: Creating media by focusing on the recording and editing of sound.

Religious Education (RE):

- Focus: Christian ways of living and believing.
- Key Skills: Understanding, Comparing and Contrasting.

Relationships & Health Education (RHE) & PSHE: HeartSmart & No Outsiders

- Focus: This half-term, we will be continuing our work with HeartSmart, focusing on 'Don't Forget to Let Love In' - understanding emotions and kindness.
- Key Learning: Feeling loved; celebrating strengths and achievements; uniqueness; being grateful for our bodies; good hygiene and hand washing.
- We will also integrate our No Outsiders programme, promoting inclusivity, celebrating diversity, and ensuring every child feels valued and belongs within our school family.
- Key No Outsiders text: When sadness comes to call - Eva Eland
- Key No Outsiders learning: Mental Health and Caring friendships, supporting friends with problems and difficulties.

Supporting Learning at Home -

Your partnership is invaluable! Here are simple ways you can support your child's learning this half-term:

- Read Together: Share stories, non-fiction books, and discuss what you're reading. Listen to your child read their free reading book and sign their reading diary.
- Supporting homework, including helping your child log onto TT Rockstars and Spelling Shed. Play Maths games on the Maths Frame, Top Marks or NRICH websites. Practise reading and spelling the common exception words.

- Talk About It: Ask your child about their Geography and Science and what they've discovered in their lessons. Watch BBC Bitesize videos together and look on Google Earth.
- Explore: Look for connections to our topics in your local community, through documentaries, or online resources.
- Be a Kind Citizen: Discuss how your family can contribute positively to your local community and beyond, demonstrating kindness and respect for all.

Please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher if you have any questions.

Warmly,

Mrs Webb

Badgers Teacher

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