

English

This term we will focus on the story of Hermelin - The Detective Mouse by Mini Grey. We will practice asking and writing questions and find appropriate adjectives to describe nouns. We will continue to improve our vocabulary by learning interesting new words and phrases to use in our writing. We will look at a model text and analyse the techniques that the author has used. This will enable us to write our own amazing detective narratives.

Following this, we will explore letter writing. We will read and analyse a letter written by the main character of our story, Hermelin. We will focus on the techniques used in this letter, such as the layout and paragraphs, in order to create our own. We will write a letter to one of the other characters in the book to inform them of where a lost item is.

Art

In art this half term we will be exploring colour and texture through the use of paint. The children will work with a variety of paints such as water colours, acrylics and ready mixed to create their own art work inspired by famous artists Georgia O'Keefe, Claude Monet, Picasso and many more.

Science

This term, we will be completing our Animals including Humans unit of work. We will explore five animals groups: birds, mammals, reptiles, fish and amphibians. We will learn how to classify animals into each group. We will also look at animal diets, learning what a carnivore, herbivore and omnivore is.



Geography

This term, we will study the local area, Widnes. We will locate it on a map and understand that it is a town in the north-west of England. We will also use maps, using compass directions and locational language to describe where Widnes is. We will identify the physical and human features of Widnes and areas nearby such as Warrington. We will also explore the climate of Widnes.

Maths

This term, we will be focusing on developing our knowledge of numbers within 10. We will explore each number in turn using practical resources and then moving on to written forms. We will develop our rapid recall of number bonds within 10. We will look at addition and subtraction facts within 10. We will learn how to add by counting on which will help us to solve word problems.

Music

This term we will begin learning how to play the keyboard. We will use our new piano course, Rhythm Warriors, which features a cartoon lesson series to support our learning.

PE

The focus this half term is dance 'Under the Sea'. The children will take on the role of sea creatures and use their gross motor skills to manipulate and control their bodies individually and as a team.

RE

This half term, we will be focusing on exploration (belonging). We will look at different faiths including Christianity, Islam and Hinduism and discuss what it means to belong to these communities. The children will be able to identify key symbols for these religions and state their significance.