English

This term, we will be studying the picture story book Where the Wild Things Are by Maurice Sendak.

The children will begin by immersing themselves in the book by studying characters and pictures from the story. This will enable them to have a deeper understanding of the story. They will ask and write lots of questions, with a focus on punctuation.

The children will also write character descriptions to develop their writing skills. We will also look at a model story called The Land Where the Giants Are.

During the unit, the children will learn new vocabulary and be able to use it in sentences. To finish the unit, the children will write their own portal narrative.

Music

The children will be continuing to learn how to play the keyboards. They will learn hand positions, different notes and how to play along to beats and songs.

Design & Technology

This term we will be exploring food. Our end of unit goal is to make a healthy snack, sandwiches. We will investigate existing products, evaluating their appeal. We will then design and plan a healthy snack, considering the purpose and user. We will use equipment to make the healthy snack and then evaluate the finished product against the design criteria.

Science

In science, we will focus on animals and their basic needs and thinking about what animals need to survive. We will remind ourselves of the different animal groups that we learnt about last term. The children will learn about animals and their young. They will look at lifecycles and how animals grow and change. The children will also look at food groups and explore how to keep the body healthy.



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Geography

This term, we will complete our unit of work on our local area. 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

We will continue to explore addition and subtraction within 10. We will use our knowledge of number bonds within 10 to solve problems. We will use a range of methods such as part-whole models, tens frames, number lines and mental strategies.

Computing

In computing we will explore position and direction, through moving robots. We will use a program to direct robots in various situations.

PE

This term, the children will play pickleball. They will be learning ways to strike a static and moving ball with an assortment of equipment. They will master basic movements including running, jumping, throwing, and catching, as well as developing balance, agility, and coordination, and begin to apply these in a range of activities.

RE

This term we will study Christianity, exploring the key question of What do people say about God? The children will look at stories from the Bible as well as parents and careers, to compare to people's beliefs about God.