Literacy:

This half term we are going to experience some twisted fairy tales. We will be exploring a twist on 'The Three Little Pigs' and be creating our own alternative fairy tale. We will also be writing instructions, developing our descriptive language through dragon poetry and looking at a princess that breaks all the rules! Please come in at 3pm on Friday 12th of October to look at our amazing writing!

RE and PSHE:

In RE we will be learning about 'Specialness' focusing on aspects such as clothing and places. PSHE is all about new starts and relationship building.

Numeracy:

In Numeracy we will be focusing on Place Value and identifying how numbers are made up with units, tens, and hundreds (and thousands). We will also be developing strategies to support both addition and subtraction. This will be developed in a range of contexts including problem solving and using practical resources to explore how all these concepts are linked. We will be learning to recognise coins and notes and linking these to our place value knowledge. There will be a big emphasis on mental maths so that we can quickly apply different number knowledge in problem solving situations.

Fractured Fairy Tales



ICT:

We will be communicating a range of information in a variety of ways including with the use of headphones, videos, pictures and graphs. We will also be looking at the different and precise drawing tools on the computer.

Geography: We will be learning about our local area and comparing the houses in different parts of Romsey. We will be going on a local area walk to practise our fieldwork and observation skills.

Music:

This term's the children will be learning the recorder on the 'Listen to Me' music scheme.

Creative Arts:

Art and DT:

We will be designing and making a 3D shoe for a Fairy Tale Character and using artists for inspiration.

Drama:

We will be using drama in a range of ways including role play, storytelling and freeze frame.

PE:

We will be focusing on Team Building skills and Gymnastics!

Science:

We will be learning about Materials and their properties. The children will be investigating the suitability of different materials for different purposes. We will also be exploring changing materials and helping some fairy tale characters out with their material problems. A lot of our Science will be exciting hands on learning steered by the children.

Please continue to **read at least 3 times a week**. It is very important that your child reads
a little and often to support and strengthen the
skills they have learnt at school. Remember to
fill in the reading diary to ensure your child's
name is placed in our 'Reading Garden'.



When you go to the shop encourage children to recognise the coins and notes and have a go at making small amounts. You could also have a go at working out the change.

Support your child with their **mental maths** skills...

- Learn and use number facts to 10 then apply to other numbers e.g. 20, 100 etc. i.e. 1+9=10, 2+8=10 so 11+9=20, 10+90=100.
- Know 10 more and 10 less than a given number. i.e. 10 more and 10 less than 20,30,40; 10 more than 23,45 61
- Challenge add and subtract near 10's e.g. 9 and 11

Ways You Can Help!





We will be sending home practical and creative homework throughout the school year so keep your eyes peeled for these.

We will be updating the **blog** regularly throughout the term so please keep up to date on our exciting activities.

We will be sending home lists of spellings each week. The children will have a 'Sentence Book' and they must write sentences with the given words in. Please focus on the key sentence writing skills- capital letters, spelling words correctly and full stops. These words may be topic words or words that your child must be able to write. There are a list of common exception words in the back to support you and your child.

Make time to read a story to your child or encourage an older sibling to read a bedtime story to them. The benefits are enormous, not only will sharing a book be relaxing, it will also immerse them in story language and patterns that they will be able to use in their own story writing.

Friday morning reading from 8.50-9.10 from Week 2 onwards.

Please come in through classroom doors and enjoy a story with your child.