

Topic

For topic this half term, we will be doing 'Around the World in 50 days' Focusing on:

- Countries and continents
- Looking at how different countries celebrate Christmas.
- Comparing different countries

As well as all this, we will be preparing lots of Christmas goodies and also practicing for the Christmas production.

English

For English this half term we will be using the Scheme Talk 4 Writing to deliver Fiction and Non-Fiction texts. This scheme involves using images and actions to be able to retell a piece of text.

The texts being:

- Poetry: Firework Poetry
- Fiction: The Three Little Pigs

We will also be concentrating on alphabetical order, 'a' or 'an', plurals and Pronouns.

Reading

Reading this year for the Squirrels class is still essential as it really does have a huge impact on their learning throughout the curriculum, specifically with their writing and phonics. Please do support your child to ensure that they read daily, and that you sign their planner to evidence this.

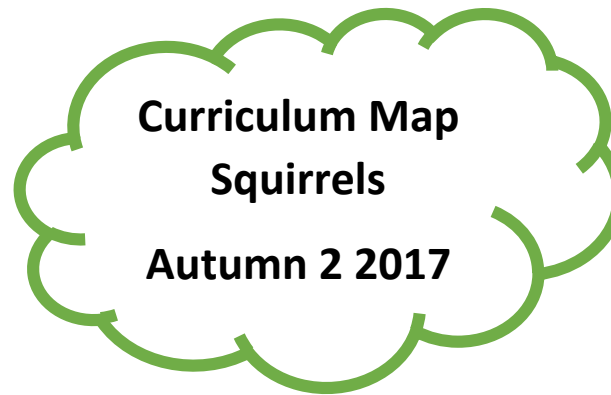
Maths

Squirrels will continue to follow the maths mastery scheme, however they will be covering new topics.

The topics being covered this half term will be:

- Shape and Pattern
- Numbers to 20
- Addition and Subtraction within 20

As a team we will be acquiring a clear grasp of where they are and what we need to do to move them on to the next stage.



ClassDojo

Thank you to all parents for connecting to ClassDojo. We will be continue using this system with the children.

It is a great method of communication, so if you have any worries or anything to tell me, feel free to contact me on there.

Outdoor Adventure

Every other Thursday starting from 9th November – Clothes in on the Tuesday please! Make sure your child has wellies in school.

Homework

The children will be receiving a little bit of homework every week for them to complete as best they can, this will include:

- Maths: This will be number bonds within 10
- Reading: I would encourage all children to read something every evening. I will be looking at reading records regularly and awarding points for keen and enthusiastic readers and there will be a prize given weekly.
- Spellings: Children will be given handwriting paper with the spellings on to practice and learn for a spelling test every Friday.

PE is an important part of your child's education, so please make sure their kit is in school every week.
Can I also remind parents to take out earrings otherwise the children cannot participate in PE.
PE day: Monday and Thursday