

Year 2

Autumn Term 1 – Never Eat Shredded Wheat



OLPS Values Belonging

Main Texts

The Lonely Beast by Chris Judge



Maths

We will start the year by learning to read, write and order numbers to 100 and develop their understanding of place value using the terms tens and ones. We will compare numbers starting to use the symbols $<$ $>$ $=$. In our calculations topic we are going to start to count in steps of 2, 5 and 10 as well as adding and subtracting using written methods. They will need to learn their number bonds to 10 and 20 for quick mental recall.



Science

In our Science topic we will be looking at the different types of materials our school is made from. Throughout the topic we will learn the different properties and uses of different materials such as wood, metal, glass, plastic, paper, brick and clay. We will investigate which material is best for the Lonely Beast's tent and we will learn about everyday materials and will complete lots of experiments to investigate the suitability of different materials.

Vocabulary:

Materials, rigid, flexible, transparent, opaque, rough, smooth, waterproof, absorbent,



Come and See

In the topic Beginnings the children will be learning 'Who made the world and everything in it?' They will know and understand the many beginnings each day offers and that God is present in every beginning. In our topic 'Signs and Symbols' we will discuss 'Are signs and symbols important?' The children will also know and understand the signs and symbols of Baptism.

Vocabulary:

Creation, beginnings, signs, symbols, Baptism, belonging

English

In English this term our focus texts will be based on the 'Lonely Beast' series of books by Chris Judge.

The children will learn about how to sequence stories and make storyboards, write character profiles and write letters to the characters in the stories. They will have the opportunity for role play and drama linked to the stories. Their focus for grammar will be different sentence types, statements, commands, questions and exclamation. They will look at word classes such as nouns, adjectives and verbs. When writing children will be encouraged to use a full-stop, capital letter and question mark accurately. Spelling this term will focus on learning to spell all common exception words for Year 1 and 2. Our Handwriting will focus on the correct size and shape of letters and spacing of words correctly.

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Humanities

Geography

We will use maps, digital maps and atlases to identify the United Kingdom, the 4 countries that make up the UK and their capital cities. Throughout the topic we will introduce the children to atlases and digital maps and we will create our own maps of our school grounds. We will also be looking at our local area, Widnes and finding out about how it has changed. We will start to think about human geography and what activities we can do in Widnes! Throughout the topic we will be creating a fun itinerary for The Lonely Beast if he came to Widnes!

Vocabulary:

Widnes, North West, United Kingdom, England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland, town, human features

STEM

Computing

In computing the children will navigate simple web-pages to gather information. In computer science they will be using code.org to write and test programs. We will talk about how to stay safe when using the internet and what to do if we see something unusual online.

Arts

Art

We will be looking at landscape artwork and we will be creating our own sketches of our local area and the school grounds. We will experience using charcoal as well as pencils to help us create effective sketches.

Music

We will rehearse songs and sing along to songs by following a melody. We will listen to a range of songs and will learn some by famous singers from our local area!

PE

Gymnastics Ball Skills