

<p>English:</p> <p>As readers we will read and re-read a range of stories, including wishing tales. Our focused author for the term is Oliver Jeffers, whom many of you will recognize as the author of 'The day the crayons quit'.</p> <p>As authors we will write our own stories based on the theme of a wish. In our stories we will develop our skills of description. We will then set about writing a letter in response.</p> <p>We will learn to spell a range of words, including common exception words and those that follow a specific phoneme (sound).</p>	<p>Mathematics:</p> <p>As mathematicians we will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Partition to 6 • Find and represent all addition and subtraction number facts of 6 • Count, sequence and write numbers to 100. • Think about one more and one less than a number. • Count forwards and backwards from a given number. 	<p>Science and computing:</p> <p>As scientists we will learning about every day materials. We will be identifying everyday materials and how they are used.</p> <p>We will also be learning to describe some of the properties of everyday materials. We shall investigate materials in order to solve a specific problem.</p>
<p>Design and technology:</p> <p>As designers we will develop our design skills, make and evaluate products to make the world a better place.</p> <p>We will be focusing on making a sliding mechanism in order to produce a Winter holiday celebration card.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Crackle, crackle!</p> 	<p>Music:</p> <p>As musicians we will be following the Charanga program and be exploring pulse within a song. We will be reflecting on a piece of music by listening to the differences heard and then incorporating musical instruments to follow the same tune and pulse.</p>
<p>R.E and P.S.H.C.E:</p> <p>As people who value the beliefs of others, we will explore Christmas and its importance to Christians. We will look at how it is celebrated, as well as the gifts given to baby Jesus by the three wise men.</p> <p>As good citizens we will explore the key ingredients of a good friend.</p>	<p>Geography and History:</p> <p>As historians we will learn about a specific event that happened over 400 years ago. This event is unique to our country, since it is part of our rich heritage. We shall explore the main characters involved in the plot, including their reasons for undertaking such a daring plan. This will help us to understand the reasons behind our special bonfire night.</p>	<p>P.E:</p> <p>As part of our REAL P.E program we will explore different ways in which we can jump and land safely with balance and coordination. We will also be focusing on taking turns, sharing space and praising each other's efforts.</p>

Dear parents, carers and children,

The topic web on the front highlights the areas of learning which we will cover this term. Please find below a grid with homework activities to support your school learning. You may wish to do them all or just a few. Please select those, which you feel would help the most. Please don't forget to read at home at least **3 times or more**, since the more you read, the more you will know.

Kind regards

Mrs Briggs, Miss Helps and Mrs Stabbins

<p>Find out 6 facts about our focused author Oliver Jeffers</p> <p>Visit the library and take out some books to read that he has written. Remember, the library is free to join!</p>	<p>Count down from any number up to 20. Challenge yourself to count down from bigger numbers. How many days until Christmas, count down to this.</p>	<p>Go on a material hunt around your home. Look for objects made from the following:</p> <p>wood plastic glass</p> <p>fabric</p> <p>paper stone metal</p>	<p>Make your own advent calendar. What picture or object will you hide behind each door?</p>
<p>When listening to music see if you can identify the pulse and clap along</p>	<p>Find out how Christmas is celebrated in another country.</p> <p>You might have relatives abroad that you could interview.</p>	<p>How do you show kindness?</p> <p>Draw a picture of you showing kindness.</p>	<p>Practice your spellings online at www.topmarks.co.uk/english-games/5-7years/words-and-spelling</p>
<p>How many different ways can you partition 5?</p> <p>How many different ways can you partition 6?</p> <p>Write down all the addition and subtraction facts you know for 5 and 6.</p>	<p>Write a letter to a friend or family member telling them all the fantastic things you have been up to!</p>	<p>Find out about Guy Fawkes, a significant person from history.</p> <p>Who was he? Why is he famous?</p>	<p>Use a variety of different tools when drawing such as felt tips, crayons, pencils and pastels. Remember to use your perfect grip!</p>