



Let's Celebrate



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English

Our writing this half term will be based around the texts "The Queens Handbag" and "The Queens Hat"

We will be...

- Making predictions
- Using new vocabulary in our writing
- Sequencing key events in a story
- Writing questions
- Using conjunctions in our writing
- Discussing new words and their meanings
- Talking about language choices
- Writing a diary entry
- Writing our own version of The Queen's Hat
- Comparing and contrasting Steve Antony's style of writing.

Design Technology

We will be looking at a variety of playground equipment. We will be thinking about what the equipment is made from and looking at it's structure. We will be learning about how structures can be made stronger, stiffer and more stable.

We will be learning about how to design a purposeful, functional swing. We will construct a swing for a playground using appropriate materials and tools. We will then evaluate final product against the design criteria.



In **Science** we will be learning about and naming some common animals.

- To know about, identify and name some common animals.
- To describe and compare the structure of a variety of common animals.
- To identify, name and sort animals that are herbivores, carnivores and omnivores.
- We will be visiting Howe Park Woods on Thursday 5th May.



Our class authors this half term are Nick Butterworth and Nick Sharratt

Key Maths learning this half term:

We will be looking at comparing and measuring length, weight and capacity using non-standard and standard units of measure. We will then move on to learning to count in 10s, making groups to aid when counting, learning about making arrays and also doubling numbers.

In **History** we will be learning all about The Queen.

- To create a timeline of The Queen
- To discuss about events that have happened in The Queen's life
- To create our own family trees
- To know about significant people form the past and present
- To know about changes that have occurred in our own lives.
- To know about royal and national celebrations
- To know about The Queen's platinum jubilee.



RE:

This half term the children will be learning about places of worship

PSHE: Following our Go-Givers topics we will be focussing on ourselves. We will be thinking about our goals, thinking about what makes us unique, talking about the people who are special to us and discussing healthy eating.

Computing

This half term we will be will develop our understanding of the various aspects of using a computer to create and manipulate text. We will become more familiar with using a keyboard and mouse to enter and remove text. The children will also consider how to change the look of their text, and will be able to justify their reasoning in making these changes. Finally, we will consider the differences between using a computer to create text, and writing text on paper. They will be able to explain which method they prefer and explain their reasoning for choosing this.

PE days for both classes are **Tuesdays** (class teacher - shorts needed) and **Wednesdays** (Nick). Remember to send your child to school wearing their PE kit on these days.