

**Science: Skeletons:** Children will learn to identify and name bones in the human body along with a range of animal. They will look at the function of the skeleton and find out if all skeletons are the same.

**Biology:** Following on from looking at skeletons, children will look at the different joints of humans and animals, as well as how the skeleton, joints and muscles work together to allow movement.

**Nutrition and Diet:** Children will look at the 5 different food groups and how they help form a healthy lifestyle. They will compare different diets and look at the wider animal kingdoms dietary requirements.

### English:

In Sapling this term, we will be teaching through the following texts – The Tin Forest by Helen Ward and The Legend of Sally Jones by Jakob Wegelius. We will be writing in a range of different styles including, narratives, diary entries, persuasion texts as well as exploring texts through drama. We spend time each day independently reading as well as weekly whole class reading session. There will be a weekly spelling test on a Tuesday, spellings will be available on SeeSaw each week to practice.

### Maths:

This term children will be exploring numbers to gain a very in depth understanding of place value. The children will know how to represent numbers in different ways. As the term progresses, children will be looking at addition and subtraction. They will understand different methods to add and subtract. In Sapling, class there is a big emphasis on timetables throughout the year. This term we will be practising our times tables every day looking at the whole range up to 12 x 12. We have a times table test every Tuesday as well as homework, which is accessed through Seesaw which needs to be completed.

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**Art & DT:** The theme for this term in 'insects'. Children will learn about how to use pencil, colour, mosaic design, puppet making and sculpture to create quality artwork that shows progression in their skills. The children will also have the opportunity to explore the work of a range of 'Insect' artists, in particular, Louise Bourgeois and Jennifer Angus.

**Computing:** The children will be learning how to send emails with attachments and how to be a responsible digital citizen by thinking about the contents of what is sent. The children will be learning about online safety and cyberbullying.

**RE:** This unit focuses on Hinduism; we look into the concept of Brahman/God in Hinduism. The children will be learning about different Hindu stories and how Hindus live. They will explore different ways that Hindus worship. We will investigate different religious festivals Hindus celebrate such as Diwali.

**French:** As linguists, we will be practising our language patterns to be able to use conversational vocabulary and speech through games, songs and role play.

**Music:** As musicians, we will be listening to different musical pieces. We will be able to gain an understanding of the timbre, pace and rhythm within these musical pieces and use body percussion.

**PE/Games: Hockey.** Pupils will learn to contribute to the game by helping to keep possession of the ball, use simple attacking tactics using sending, receiving and dribbling a ball.

**Geography:** Children take a closer look at the mysteries of tropical rainforests. From the layers of the forest and its animal inhabitants, to the unique climate found in the tropics. They compare a British forest with the Amazon rainforest, and begin to explore some of the conservation issues surrounding the destruction of rainforest habitats.

**PSHE: Families and Relationships.** Children will be learning about how to deal with friendship issues and identifying bullying and its effects, learning about the issues with stereotyping, considering physical and emotional boundaries and who to trust. As well as sensitively thinking about how to support someone who has suffered a bereavement.

**Tennis.** Children will develop skills required to play tennis such as the ready position, racket control and fore and backhand strokes. They will use strategies and tactics to outwit the opposition whilst learning the importance of honest play within the rules.

We have PE lessons on a Wednesday and Thursday; children must wear appropriate clothes and trainers.