

English:

We listen to stories or poems every day and have opportunities to reread our favourites. We choose a book from our class library each week to share at home. Please return your books every Monday to change. Our focus authors are Julia Donaldson and Oliver Jeffers.

We have a phonics and reading lesson every day. In phonics we learn to read and write words and sentences using letter sounds. We will spend the first six weeks consolidating and applying our longer sounds from Reception as well as the alternative ways of making the same sounds. E.g. 'ai' as in snail, 'ay' as in play and 'a-e' as in cake.

Maths:

For Maths our focus is on our understanding of numbers from 0 to 20. We will be learning to partition them into tens and ones using a range of practical equipment to help. We will represent numbers using tens frames and part-whole models.

It's important that we can state 1 more and 1 less than a given number and can compare numbers using < > and = signs.

Our calculation work will be recalling addition and subtraction facts to 10 and solving problems using these operations.

2D and 3D shape names will be revised and



Curriculum:

During our Geography lessons, we will be exploring key features of the world around us by identifying geographical features of our local environment (school and surrounding area). Children will also have an understanding the difference between human and physical features.

In History children will be finding out about what school was like in the past. We will be heading out of school and taking a wander into the classroom at the Black Country Museum to see how things have changed. We will also be learning facts about the history of our own school here at St Margaret's.

Art this term is all about the study of line. We will be exploring mark making and drawing lines using a range of media and emulating the work of Paul Klee. For D.T. we will be exploring and creating slides and levers to make our own moving pictures.

In Music we will be finding the beat and performing our own simple rhythms and melodies. We will also learn a range of

RE:

In RE children will be exploring the questions 'Who is Jewish and what do they believe' and 'Why does Christmas matter to Christians?'

PE:

The focus of learning in PE is to explore running and applying it effectively in games. We will explore running using different body parts and different techniques and begin to understand how to run efficiently. During the games, we will begin to understand that

PE day is on Friday. Please wear kit to school and remove jewellery.

Science:

In Science, we are considering what weather we are likely to expect in each season and what changes happen within them too. The children will choose a tree to focus on throughout the year and we will be observing closely for changes over time. We will be investigating the weather and learning to identify a range of

Trips - We are planning a day trip to the **Black Country Museum** to experience a

Homework:

Please read for 10 minutes every day and look at letter sounds, word lists, tricky word stars, reading book and library book.