

English

Fiction: Traditional tales and fables. Through traditional tales and fables we will be writing dialogue between two characters, learning about conjunctions and writing our own fables based on those we have read.

Non-fiction: Game instructions We will learn about writing instructions and commands on how to play board games, playground games and online games. We will use imperative verbs, adjectives and different types of punctuation.

Letters to Santa – Language and layout features of letters and different sentences – questions, statements and commands, expanded noun and prepositional phrases.

Poetry: Michael Rosen Day – We will be exploring the wonderful poetry of Michael Rosen. We will have a live lesson with him and we will write our own food poems.

DT – Puppets

We are going to be exploring a range of materials that puppets can be made out of. We will be designing, creating and evaluating puppets of our own.

RE – Why does Christmas matter to Christians?

Through stories from the Gospels, we will look at the story of Jesus' birth and how Christians use the nativity story to guide their beliefs.

History – Toys past and present

We will be researching toys from the past as well as looking at what they play with now. We will find out what toys our parents and grandparents played with and how they are different to the toys of today.

Computing – Data and pictograms

We will begin to understand what the term 'data' means and how it can be organised. We are going to be producing pictograms and block diagrams to show how it can be organised,



Barn Owls Autumn 2 2025 Toys!



PE – Coach lesson and indoor activities.

All children will be working with a coach once a week. During our additional weekly lessons, we will be practicing our indoor athletics skills. This will include throwing, jumping and skipping activities.

British values and / Courageous advocacy and Cultural capital

Democracy, Rule of Law, Individual Liberty, Mutual Respect and Tolerance

Children in need, Leading worship, Cup of Christmas Kindness, Remembrance service, Theatre Severn to see pantomime, Christmas play performances.

Maths

This half term we will be learning about the following maths topics.

Year 1 –

Let's find one more and one less; Let's add and Subtract objects; Can you recognise coins; Let's find the value of coins; Let's identify 3D shapes; Let's use time language.

Year 2 –

Let's use a ruler; Let's make a pictogram; Let's use number patterns; How can we add numbers; How can we subtract numbers; Let's use pounds and pence.

We will have daily practice of our times tables and complete Flashback Four. The children will also be using online activities to reinforce learning.

PSHE- How do we recognise our feelings? We will be looking at how to identify and describe a range of emotions and be able to discuss them confidently. We will discuss strategies that can be used to help them when they are feeling big emotions.

Science – Everyday materials

We will be investigating what toys are made of. We will be looking at plastic, wooden, metal and fabric to investigate why they are a suitable materials for toys to be made from and if there are any possible dangers.

Music – Beat, machines and toys

We will be exploring beat further and learning to keep a steady beat at different speeds. We will also be using instruments to experiment with different beats and sounds. We will be listening to different music and identifying the different tempi and rhythms that we can hear. We will be creating movement and new songs on the theme of our bodies.