Speaking and Listening
Children will be partaking in turn taking activities, which requires them to listen to other children before formulating a response. This will be included in activities such as role play from a narrative.

Reading and Writing
The children will continue to progress with their reading using the Read Write Inc. program. We will focus on phonics this year. The children will also have access to extended writing sessions, using a scheme called the Power of Reading, which will encourage children to produce longer pieces of writing based around books.

Number
The children have been introduced to a new scheme of work known as Numicon. The children will use numicon apparatus in daily maths sessions to help them visualise numbers in a practical way in order for them to be more confident mathematicians.

This half term we will be focusing on number, repeating patterns, comparing and ordering using numicon shapes and addition and subtraction within ten.

Topic
Children will be secure in their knowledge of 2D shapes and group shapes according to their properties. They will compare, order and measure lengths as well as understand the value of 1p, 2p, 5p and 10p coins.

Children will also understand different units of time such as days of the week and months of the year.

Science
This half term, the children will be looking at different types of animals and the groups that they fit into with regards to their features. They will sort, classify and describe.

Computing
This term's computing lessons will focus on the importance of e-safety. The children will discuss appropriate online behaviour and what to do if they encounter cyber-bullying. Children will learn how to code in order to create their own simple games.
First half of Autumn Term
our topic is called
'Paws, Claws and Whiskers'

Children will learn all about animals, from pets at home to animals in the zoo. They will find out what animals like to eat and where they like to sleep. They will learn how to look after animals too.

Children will explore food chains and learn which animals are herbivores and which are carnivores.

After the half term holiday
the topic we will be studying is called
Bright Lights, Big City'

This half term, we'll take tea with the Queen and visit Buckingham Palace online. Using maps and research, we'll locate Buckingham Palace, understand compass directions, plan routes around London and learn about the countries of the United Kingdom. Our research will take us back in time to the Great Fire of London and to famous London landmarks, as well as giving us an understanding of what it's like to live in a big city.

PE

Children will have whole class PE sessions on Friday. They will be focusing on gymnastics, dance and games. Please ensure that your child has the correct kit in school on this day, and is clearly marked with their name.

Additional Information

Homework expectations: The children will benefit from short, daily reading session at home. Parents are asked to discuss their child's book with them and sign their reading diary to evidence this. Children should also practise their High Frequency Words regularly so that they are able to recall these words instantly. The children will be given homework tasks each Friday and are expected to return their completed work by the following Wednesday.

Useful websites:
www.bbc.co.uk
www.topmarks.co.uk

Forthcoming events: Family time (19/09/19 3:35-4pm)