

KSI - Autumn | Curriculum Map

Overview of topics:

Hellen Keller Harvest
Healthy Humans Big Emotions

English:

As readers and writers, we will begin a unit of work called 'Getting Ready for Place Value of Punctuation and Grammar'. In this, we will learn about verbs, adjectives, nouns and clauses.

Reading and spelling homework will be issued each week to support learning.

We will continue to follow the Little Wandle Phonics programme to support their phonics and spelling development throughout the term.

Computing:

As users of Technology we will develop our understanding of what information technology (IT) is and will begin to identify examples. We will discuss where we have seen IT in school and beyond, in settings such as shops, hospitals, and libraries. We will then investigate how IT improves our world, and we will learn about the importance of using IT responsibly.

Maths:

As Mathematicians, KSI will be looking at numbers up to 10 and 20 in a variety of ways. These will include positional language, addition and part-whole models. Children will use a range of methods during their lessons such as using concrete materials, pictorial representations and abstract calculations. We will begin to work on our reasoning skills; explaining our thinking to others by using stem sentences and visual resources to do so.

Science:

As Scientists we will begin learning about Healthy Humans. We will learn about the basic human needs for survival, including the importance of exercise, nutrition, and good hygiene. We will also learn how human offspring grow and change over time into adulthood.

PE:

As athletes we will explore ball skills in a variety of ways (with our hands and using equipment such as sticks). Learning will include developing dribbling skills in to keep control and possession of the ball.

History:

As Historians, KSI will learn the story of Helen Keller and explore how she learned to communicate. We will also learn about the story of her good friend, Alexander Graham Bell, whose inventions and ideas helped Helen communicate, before understanding how Helen became an important campaigner for people's rights. We will then learn more about Louis Braille, the inventor of the reading and writing system that was so important to Helen, before using Braille to make their classroom more accessible for visually impaired people. We will finally learn about Helen's influence on the world and how other people have been inspired by her life.

RE: In our RE lessons, we will learn about Harvest and how Christians celebrate it. We will explore how harvest festivals take place at different times around the world, depending on the seasons and crops grown. We will also learn how Christians and people of other religions give thanks for the harvest by sharing food, singing, giving to others and supporting charities.

PSHE: In our PSHE sessions we have been using the Jigsaw scheme of work. This half term our focus is 'Being me in my world'. We will discuss our hopes and fears, rights and responsibilities and rewards and consequences.

Art

As Artists, KSI will explore colour theory by studying the colour wheel, experimenting with colour mixing and learning about primary and secondary colours, before applying our understanding creatively in artwork.

Music:

KSI will learn about Big Emotions: Mindful Music For Little People based on beautiful children's wellbeing book and resource written by Laura Loft, musician and educator. Using music, art and movement, we will learn to recognise and regulate their own 'big emotions'.