

ENCHANTED WOODLAND

Year 1- Spring 2 Newsletter

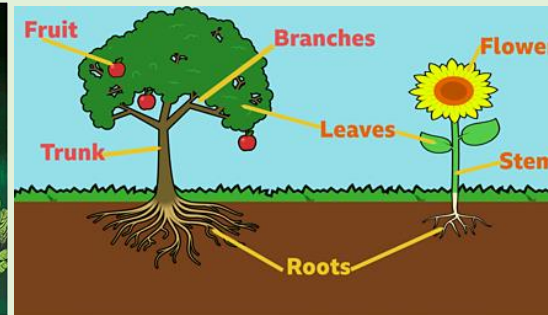
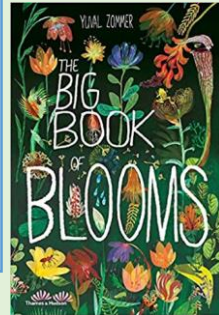
Our topic this term is 'The Enchanted Woodland,' this topic will develop children's knowledge of British wildlife and woodland habitats. Children will observe and identify plants and animals, understand seasonal changes and appreciate the wonder of the woodland. This topic will also incorporate English, Science, Music as well as DT, RE and Computing.

English

In English we are using the popular traditional tale of The Three Billy Goats Gruff to help us write our very own story. We will be adding in descriptions of the characters and learning how to structure a story with a beginning, middle and end. We will also be focusing on covering important grammar content and writing our own letters. Children will continue to have daily phonics sessions to develop their decoding skills for reading, please ensure your child brings their bookbag into school daily. As we are getting closer to the Phonics Screening Check the children may come home with additional homework to support their knowledge and understanding.

DT

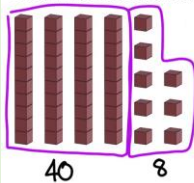
In Design and Technology we will be working together to design and build our very own dens, creating our own bird feeders and making some wonderful tree inspired art.



Science

This unit on 'Plants' takes children through a sequence of lessons where they learn how to identify and name a variety of common wild and garden plants, including deciduous and evergreen trees. They also learn how to identify and describe the basic structure of a variety of common flowering plants, including trees. To support our learning we will also be visiting the RSPB and learning about woodland animals and their habitats.

Count the tens and ones.



$$40 + 8 = 48$$

$$48 = 4 \text{ tens } 8 \text{ ones}$$

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Which object is heavier?



The pear is heavier than the sweet.

Mathematics

During this 6 week term we will cover the following units of work:

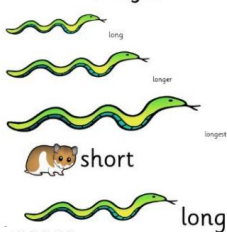
- Place Value within 50
- Length and Height
- Mass and Volume

To support your child at home it would be beneficial to continue working on counting to and across 50, starting at a different number. Number recognition is also incredibly important and the understanding of 23 is smaller than 43 because 23 has two tens and three ones and 43 has four tens. Use lots of mathematical language at home when comparing the sizes of different things. Try doing some baking with your child to use language such as more, less, nearly full, half full ect.

DIARY DATES

- Phonics Screening Workshop Friday 3rd March 2023
 - RSPB School Trip- 10th March
- IOS Class Assembly- Tuesday 28th March 2023
- Year 1 Shared Learning Friday 24th March 2023
 - INSET DAY- Friday 31st March 2023

Length



Height



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Year 1 Homework Map- Spring 2

In Year 1 our topic is The Enchanted Woodland! Here are some examples of possible homework that you may wish to complete with your child. Please feel free to complete another task that is not stated on this list. If you would like any clarification about our approach to homework please feel free to ask. Please bring any evidence of your homework into class before 24th March 2023.

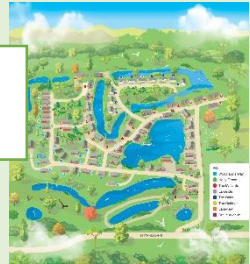
Plant some daisies, poppies, or other wild flowers. Draw and write a flower diary about the changes you see each week. Take photographs or draw pictures to show your flowers as they grow and change.

Make patterns and sculptures using natural materials in your garden. Take photographs of your artwork.

Find out about famous artists who use the woodland for inspiration.

Measure the length or height of small trees or bushes, sticks, twigs and leaves found in your garden, local park or woodland.

Design your own fantasy woodlands map.



Search the web for images and facts about amazing woodlands or forests around the world. Make a scrapbook showing the best ones.

Make miniature homes and gardens for fairies and pixies from natural materials such as bark, pebbles, twigs, leaves and pine cones. 😊



Weekly Homework

- Spellings
- Reading

·We would also like to encourage you to access **NUMBOTS** regularly to help develop children's mathematical understanding. Weekly rewards will be given out based on progress, minutes played and the amount of correct answers. You will find login details in reading records.

NUMBOTS