

Palmers Cross Class 8 Spring Term 2024

Welcome back to Palmers Cross Primary.

Welcome back after the New Year. I hope you have all had a wonderful Christmas holiday.

This term our topic begins with 'Unity in the community'. We will be using this topic to enhance our communication skills whilst exploring a variety of roles and places within the local community. We will use this as a basis for planning the different areas of the curriculum where possible.

Our learning takes place though a variety of lessons including investigations, exploration, computing, and music. We will also provide the children a variety of sensory opportunities.

Phonics

Children will take part in daily phonic sessions where they will learn develop their skills in reading a variety of phonemes and applying these within their reading and writing.

Some children will be beginning to develop their skills in spelling rules and applying these through their writing.

Literacy

We will be developing our literacy skills, exploring different stories, and developing our writing skills further. This term we will be looking at a variety of text both fiction and non-fiction and using these to enhance our sentence writing and developing a variety of literacy skills to apply in our writing.





Personal, Social and Emotional Development Through all areas of the curriculum, children will develop their skills surrounding making relationships, self-confidence and awareness and managing their feelings and behaviour. They will learn about strategies for getting on and falling out.	Mathematics As budding mathematicians, we will be continuing to develop our maths skills in place value, addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division. We will continue to develop their number knowledge to the appropriate level and explore how to represent numbers in a variety of ways.
Communication and Languages Through all areas of the curriculum, children will develop their speaking, listening and attention and understanding skills. They will listen attentively to stories, learn to follow instructions accurately and will learn to express themselves clearly. Clear visuals will be used to support communication.	We will continue to develop our skills and knowledge in working with shapes, money, time and different measurements and capacities.
Physical Development Children receive 1 taught PE lesson each week on a Thursday but have daily access to our outdoor classroom, allowing their gross motor skills to be refined. The children will also improve their fine motor skills by taking part in daily fine motor activities such as cutting and threading. The children will also have access to outdoor learning activities every Monday.	Science The children will have weekly opportunities to become scientists, carrying out investigations, exploring different plants, their parts, bulbs and seeds.
Life Skills During these lessons the children will have the opportunity to develop skills that will support them in their independence as they get older. We will develop skill in cooking, cleaning, accessing the local community, looking at people who can help us and how to stay safe.	RE Children will be taught this weekly, this term we will be looking closely at Special Stories from the Christian and Muslim Faiths. This will include what we can learn from them.