

# Welcome to the week ahead

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*This term is flying by, but we're continuing to focus our efforts on making behaviour in the school even better. The overwhelming majority of children in our school are well-behaved. Where this isn't the case, we put in a great deal of support to modify the children's behaviours. We also work hard to ensure that all children behave well at less structured times, such as moving around school and during breaktimes.*

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In EYFS this week, we will be reading the text 'Oliver's Fruit Salad'. We are going to be making a fruit salad and cooking a vegetable casserole. After making our fruit salad, we will be using the photographs to help us write instructions for others to follow. We are going to be exploring different fruits- taste testing and looking at the seeds using our magnifying glasses. Using tweezers to pick out and look at the seeds will help develop our fine motor skills. We will be making different patterns by printing different fruits and vegetables. We're going to be retelling the story using props and pictures.

In maths, we will be learning about 3D shapes and looking for 3D shapes within our environment.

This week, Year 2 will be visiting the Methodist Church to participate in the interactive Easter event.

In English, the children will be 'boxing up' our model text in order to help them understand its structure. We will then identify key grammar techniques, such as adverbials of time.

Last week, we began an investigation, aiming to identify what is needed for a seed to germinate. This week, we will be making observations of our seedlings and summarising our findings.

We will be learning more about Edward VI and Mary I, identifying the similarities and differences between the two monarchs.

In art, we will be moving on to a study of symmetry, copying a painting by Hobbema in different ways.

**This week Year 1 will be continuing to explore length and height in Maths.**

**We will be using cubes to measure different objects and developing our vocabulary using the words 'length' and 'height.'** In Art we will be using watercolours to add to our mountain scenes we started to create last week.

**We will be discussing the different styles of brushstrokes and how these can make different effects.**

This week in Year 3 we will be continuing with our new reading text 'Cinderella of the Nile.' The children have just been introduced to this text and are already loving it. They will be finishing their writing unit with a 'hot write' using all the skills they have learned so far and starting a new writing unit. In maths both classes are looking at length and perimeter and learning to convert cm to mm and cm to mm. We are nearly at the end of some of our units and starting to think about final pieces of work. DT lessons were a huge hit for Yew class last week and Willow are looking forward to their lesson next week.

In our history unit, we will continue our journey looking at the Ancient Egyptians and looking at the fascinating world of hieroglyphics. It is looking like it will be a great week.

This week, Year 4 will box up their model text and experiment with figurative language to help build a great description. This includes using similes, metaphors and personification. In maths, we will be continuing to look at fractions as we explore equivalents and adding and subtracting. In geography we will learn about the Marble Arch caves and as scientists we will learn how the human voice is able to make different sounds. In history we will learn about the rise of Christianity in the Roman Empire. In art, we continue looking at monuments and find out about the construction of the Colosseum before we prepare to make our own models.



This week Year 5 will be further exploring the book 'The Undefeated' and using it to help us learn how to write biographies about influential people. We will also be working on building root words using prefixes and suffixes. In maths we will be finishing up our additions and subtraction of fractions unit as we explore different methods. In History we will be continuing our learning on the Transatlantic Slave trade as it also ties to our English unit. In geography we will be looking at the geographical features of Australia. In DT we will be looking at the mechanics behind Cam Toy and laying out the design to make our own. In art We will continue our look at Chinese art as we try making Bamboo style sketches.

## Year 6

**We have completed our last set of Mocks before the real thing so we will be focussing on trying to support the children to build on their understanding and feel prepared for their future learning.**

**We will continue to work on our comprehension skills by looking at extracts and exploring different types of questions. We are continuing to work on statistics in maths. We will be looking at pie charts and the mean.**

**In our writing, we will working towards writing a non chronological report on a mythical creature. We will be looking at various strands of grammar and recapping elements from earlier in their learning journey such as word classes, synonyms, antonyms, tenses etc.**

**We will be continuing to learn about World War II where we will be putting ourselves in the shoes of a codebreaker cracking the Enigma machine. We hope to print some of our William Morris designs as part of our Art unit.**

