

Art



This half term the children will be told the Willow pattern story and how the story links to the willow pattern plate design. They will have the opportunity to discuss their likes and dislikes of the willow pattern plate and will experiment using pencil how to create lines of varying thickness and style, for example, wavy, straight and curved. Children will be encouraged to experiment with varying pressure and using different grades of pencil. The children will be looking at the colour used on the willow pattern plate and will be mixing paint to achieve different shades of blue by adding black or white. Their final product will be a willow pattern plate using their own design.

Geography

This half term, the children will be learning all about China. They will be learning the names of the continents and the oceans and comparing their locality with one in China. They will learn about the climate, food, people and culture.

Music

This half term the children will be focussing on the musical elements of listening (aural memory), pulse, rhythm and beat. They should practise combining pulse and rhythm.



VISITS/OTHER

The children will be learning about and listening to stories by the authors of the half term Janet and Alan Ahlberg.



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PE

PE will be on **Monday** or **Tuesday** afternoon covered by Mr Coley and **Wednesday or Thursday afternoon** with the regular class teacher. Please remember to bring PE kits for this day.

PE kit usually consists of a plain white top and bottle green shorts/bottoms and black pumps. Girls should have their hair tied back.



Science

This half term, the children will be focussing on Seasonal Changes. They will observe changes across the four seasons, describe weather associated with the seasons. They will make tables and charts to record their observations. Children will also compare weather in England to weather in China.



PSHE

This half term, the children will be following the unit 'Dreams and Goals'. They will be thinking about:

- My Treasure Chest of Success
- Steps to Goals
- Achieving Together
- Stretchy Learning
- Overcoming Obstacles
- Celebrating my Success

They will be continuing to think about our school values of friendship, trust, manners, pride, respect and courage.

Computing

This half term the children will be learning how to follow and create simple instructions on the computer. They will learn that an algorithm is a precise, step-by-step set of instructions used to solve a problem or achieve an objective, and correcting problems is called 'debugging'. With these skills, they will create and solve challenges involving programs that use directional keys.



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This half term the children will be thinking about fairness and being accountable for their actions.