

Our topic this first half term is 'Super Humans' and we are really concentrating on our scientific skills. Your child will be engaging in activities that will enable them to:

- **Be able to pose simple scientific questions**
- **Be able to conduct simple investigations**
- Know about the **human body, staying healthy and how different parts of our body work.**
- **Compare and investigate other living animals.**

How you can support your child's learning this term:

Please remember to send your child to school with his/her signed Reading Log **everyday**. Wherever possible, read material linked to our curriculum topic 'Super Humans' and then 'People of the Past'. **Homework** is given out on Thursday and expected by Wednesday. Please encourage children to write neatly and with care in their books.

Art

In our Art lessons this term we are going to be looking at the lives and work of many famous artists. Children will:

- Explore portraits of famous people from the past.
- Use their observation skills to create a portrait of their friend.
- Create their own painting of a famous picture from a painter of the past.

History

In our History lessons we will be exploring the lives of significant people in the past. Children will:

- Explore the important decisions people had to make in the past.
- Use a living graph to explore how a person from history may have been feeling.
- Find out about explorers using maps and role-play.
- Find out about famous artists, scientists and inventors of the past.

PE

During The Spring term **Owls** will continue to have PE on a **Wednesday** and **Foxes'** lessons will also continue every **Monday**. **Owls** will be also having **gymnastics lessons on a Monday** afternoon. **Foxes** will also be having **dance lessons** with a qualified Dance teacher **every Thursday**.

Maths Mastery

1. **Data Handling**
2. **Money**
3. **Addition and subtraction word problems.**
4. **Multiplication and division.**
5. **Problem Solving.**

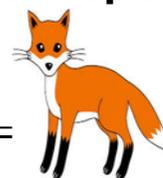
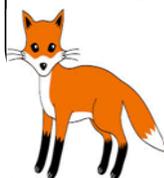
This term children will learn all about standard units or measurements and solve problems involving these. They will then move onto learning about money, including recognising the different amounts and solving money problems. We will also continue to consolidate the key skills of adding and subtracting, as well as developing further our knowledge of division, multiplication and the times tables.

Spring Term 2017

Creative Curriculum guide for pupils and parents

FOXES

TOPIC: Super Humans & People of the Past



French

In the afternoons, the Foxes will continue to explore the IPC curriculum in French and will begin to develop their reading skills with the learning of French phonics. As well as the vocabulary we cover through our IPC topic, the children will also learn some basic French grammar rules and sentence structures to develop their writing in French.

Enrichment activities

The Foxes will have a special visit from members of the OAE orchestra to practise for a performance at the Union Chapel in Highbury. (more details to follow soon!)

Literacy

Fiction:

This term in Literacy we will be exploring a range of different stories. From stories about superheroes to stories involving animals, we will look at how to develop our writing with more detail and begin to think about story structure and paragraphs.

Non-Fiction:

We will be reading a wide range of non-fiction texts this term. We will begin by researching our body and how it works, as well as looking at our diet and keeping healthy. We will then get to explore books about important people from our past. We will work on writing non-fiction texts too, such as a newspaper reports and a non-chronological reports.

Science

The first half term will focus heavily on Science, and in particular the human body. We will learn about and research our bodies, including what we need to survive, our senses and how we compare to other animals and living things. We will also be looking at our diet and keeping fit and healthy. In STEM week (01.02.16) we will also investigate our own bodies, the work of a famous scientist and conduct experiments based on their work.

PHSCE

Going For Goals:

In our lessons we will learn about our different strengths as learners and will set our own goals, thinking about how we are going to be successful in achieving it. We will also be thinking about the obstacles we may face on the way.

It's Good To Be Me:

Here, we will look at ourselves, how we are different from one another and how we should celebrate this fact.

International

Children will be exploring the idea of 'fairness' as well as finding out why some people in the past wanted change.

Literacy

Every child has the right to learn (Article 28)

In Literacy this term we will start by looking at nocturnal animals and writing our own non-chronological reports on barn owls. Here, the children will learn how to write accurate statements of fact and then will add variety by using different sentence openers and a range of conjunctions to make their writing more interesting. The enjoyment of reading is very important in our Literacy lessons and from the 16th January we will be celebrating our Book Week. We will be exploring the book Flat Stanley through a range of activities involving the whole school and maybe even you! (more details to follow very soon...) Then children will continue to learn, through a focus on grammar, punctuation and spelling, how to become great writers and story tellers themselves. This term we will also expose children to a variety of writing types and styles including stories, diaries, letters and recounts.

Able learners: We will be exploring the power of punctuation including using commas, question marks and exclamation marks.

IPC Spring 2

Every child has the right to information from a range of sources (Article 17)

We will be learning about the importance of water in our second part of the Spring term. These are just some of the things we will be learning:

In Geography we will be finding out:

- How much of our planet is water and how much is land.
- How water can provide habitat for different living things.
- What it might be like to live somewhere where there is not much water.

In Science we will be finding out:

- How water helps plants grow.
- How water can change from a solid, liquid or gas.
- How much water we need to drink to stay healthy.
- How some people around the world do not have access to clean water.

PE

Owls will have PE on Wednesday morning with Mr Patterson. This term children will participating in invasion games including hockey. Please ensure children come into school with their PE kit already on before school.

Supporting Your Child at Home

Please remember to send your child to school with his/her signed Reading Log **everyday**. Wherever possible, read material linked to our curriculum topic. **Homework** is given out on Fridays and collected in on Wednesdays.

Foxes will have PE on Friday and Owls on a Wednesday morning. Can Owls and Foxes come dressed ready in their PE kits and bring in their school uniform to change into afterwards. Now it is getting colder for PE, please ensure children are dressed appropriately in navy blue jogging bottoms, blue-hooded top and trainers.

Please ask us if you would like to know more about your children's needs and how you can support them.

Spring Term 2017

Creative Curriculum guide for pupils and parents

O W S

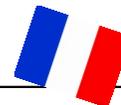


Seeing the light and Water World



French

The children will be having basic French lessons once a week on a Wednesday afternoon, for 40 minutes. The focus this term will be singing songs in French, counting and learning how to say the colours in French..



PSHE *Every child has the right to feel safe in school (Article 36)*

Going For Goals

Children will write their own New Years Resolutions and targets for the Spring Term. They will also think carefully about what they need to do in order to achieve it.

Good To Be Me.

Children will celebrate what makes us different and unique by thinking carefully about our own different skills and talents.

Maths Mastery

Every child has the right to learn (Article 28)

This term we will be focussing on the following:

1. **Multiplication and division**
2. **Multiplication tables of 2, 5 and 10**
3. **Time**
4. **Exploring Calculation Strategies**
5. **Money**

The start of the term will see us take an in-depth look at multiplication and division. We will then move onto exploring time and different calculation strategies.

Able learners: We will be using problem solving and investigative maths to explore numbers beyond 100, involving the four operations.

IPC Spring 1—Seeing the Light

Our first topic of the new year looks at light, and through a variety of art, geography and science activities children will learn a wide variety of skills. These are just a few of the objectives we will be covering:

In Science children will:

- Be able, with help, to conduct simple investigations
- Know about the senses
- Know that seeds grow into plants
- Know what plants need to live.
- Know about the uses of different materials
- Be able to describe similarities and differences between materials
- Be able to sort materials into groups according to their properties

In Geography children will:

- Be able to use geographical terms
- Be able to describe the geographical features of the school site and other familiar places

Reminders and Enrichment Activities

Every child has the right to play (Article 31)

In January we will be taking part in our own Book Week, where children will experience a range of activities and events that will help their love of reading to grow even further. In March, we will also have our STEM week, with a range of exciting investigations and experiences to explore the world of science and technology. We are also hoping to take the children on an educational visit linked to our topic on water...Please keep your eye out for more details on all of the above in the