

English

Fiction – Narrative *The Missing Laptop and The Story of St Alban* - The children will develop their sentence writing skills incorporating adjectives, alliteration and precise verbs. Also, continuing to practise simple punctuation. They will use speech marks, commas, apostrophes, full stops, question marks and exclamation marks.

Non-Fiction - The children will be completing non-fiction reports through foundation subjects: Science, History, Geography

Art

The children will be exploring sculpture and 3D form through creating clay houses inspired by architecture Understanding and creating patterns using various techniques and materials

PE – The children take part in a series of indoor and outdoor lessons developing ball skills and tag games skills.

Science

- 1. Everyday Materials** - Identifying and comparing materials (wood, plastic, glass, metal, water, rock), describing their properties, and exploring their uses
- 2. Seasonal Changes (Winter/Spring)** - Observing weather patterns, day length changes, and how plants and animals adapt through winter into spring
- 3. Plants** - Identifying common plants, trees, and flowers, learning plant structure (roots, stem, leaves, petals), and observing growth
- 4. Animals Including Humans** - Identifying common animals (fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds, mammals), understanding carnivores/herbivores/omnivores, and learning about basic body parts and senses

Maths

Children learn addition and subtraction within 20 using strategies like counting on, counting back, making 10, and using number bonds, then develop place value understanding within 50 by counting, partitioning numbers into tens and ones, and comparing and ordering numbers.

Children explore length and height by comparing, measuring with non-standard units (like cubes), and then using standard units (centimetres and metres).

Children compare weights using balance scales and learn about kilograms and grams, then explore capacity by comparing how much containers hold and measuring using litres and millilitres.

Music

The children will be taught by Mrs O'Melia using Kapow Music.

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Design and Technology

To design, make, and evaluate a moving vehicle using wheels and axles

To understand where food comes from and prepare simple fruit and vegetable dishes

PSHE

Children will learn essential life skills, building their understanding of relationships, safety, and their place in the school and wider community, while prioritizing safeguarding and emotional wellbeing.

History

The History of St Albans: The children will learn about the historical beginnings of the city of At Albans, looking at a timeline for chronology

RE Children will:

- Show respect for different beliefs and practices
- Ask questions about religious practices
- Make comparisons between religions and their own experiences
- Use religious vocabulary appropriately
- Recognize that different people have different beliefs
- Reflect on what makes times, places, and objects special

Geography Children will understand:

- Weather changes daily and seasonally
- Different weather requires different clothing and activities
- Weather affects our lives in many ways
- Weather can be measured and recorded
- Meteorologists study and predict weather
- We need to stay safe in different types of weather

Computing

Computational Thinking:

- Algorithms:** Creating sequences of instructions
- Decomposition:** Breaking tasks into steps
- Pattern Recognition:** Identifying attributes and similarities
- Abstraction:** Focusing on important information when sorting
- Debugging:** Finding and fixing errors

Digital Literacy:

- Using software appropriately
- Navigating programs
- Saving and retrieving work
- Following online safety rules

Logical Reasoning:

- Predicting outcomes
- Testing predictions
- Explaining reasoning
- Problem-solving