



Year 1 Learning Leaflet

Into the Deep Dark Woods 2023-24



Key Dates

Start of term – Mon 8th April

Gruffalo Wood Trip – Tue 9th April

Home Learning Due – Monday 20th May

Topic showcase – Thurs 23rd May

End of term – Fri 24th May

What is life like in the woods?

This topic we will be exploring woodlands. We will be looking at the physical features of a woodland and discovering lots about wild and garden plants.

Maths

This half-term in Maths we will be focusing on multiplication and division as well as finding halves and quarters of shapes and quantities. The children will also be recapping their addition and subtraction skills.

We will be continuing to promote the use of Numbots to support children in securing their basic mathematical skills. The children's achievements in upgrading Rusty will continue to be celebrated.

PSHE/RE/Music

PSHE – All our PSHE learning this half-term will be around the theme 'Being My Best'.

RE – Why is Eid important to Muslim children?

Music – Begin to explore composition and improvisation.

Reading/Phonics

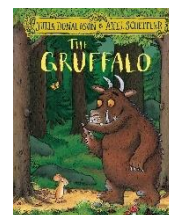
Our daily phonics sessions will continue this half term as we prepare for the phonics screening. Every day counts so please make sure you keep up your good attendance! We will continue to build on our reading fluency and further our understanding of the texts we read, through comprehension activities.

Writing

This half-term in English we will be exploring the texts *The Gruffalo* by Julia Donaldson and *Little Red* by Bethan Woollvin. We will continue to use 'think it, say it, write it, check it' to write sentences, challenge ourselves to use adjectives to describe, supported by using our growing phonics knowledge to help us spell. We will explore different sentence types, including question and exclamation sentences.

Science

This half-term in Science we will be focusing on the topic 'Plants'. The children will be looking at a range of common wild and garden plants. They will be planting and growing their own seeds as they begin to recognise how plants grow. We will also be classifying trees using the key vocabulary deciduous and evergreen.



Topic

Art and Design – Complete an artist study on Andy Goldsworthy. Design and create a variety of sculptures.

Design Technology – Children will design, make and evaluate their own slider/pop-up books.

Geography – Identify the four countries of the United Kingdom. Continue to build and expand on our understanding of key physical features in our local environment.

Key Vocabulary – Deciduous, England, Evergreen, Nature, Northern Ireland, Plant, Scotland, Wales, Woodland, United Kingdom.

Computing – Explore the use of the 2Paint programme, on Purple Mash, to create their own woodland pictures.