

**Year R/1/2 Curriculum  
Newsletter  
Autumn Term 1, Sep 2020**



Dear Parents and Carers,  
Please look through some activities we will cover this term as we open the doors to the new academic year with our new classroom name... Robins!

**English:**

This term, the children will look at 'Traction Man' by Mini Grey. Previously learned skills will be reviewed and children will develop their sequencing and descriptive writing abilities. There will be a focus on the technical skills involved with writing (clear letter formation, producing sentences with finger spacing and punctuation, etc.) Spelling and grammar skills across the curriculum will be developed, and children will develop their confidence to use their phonic knowledge with independence.

**Maths:**

We will begin by exploring place value using numbers up to 100. Year R will be exploring making numbers using a range of manipulatives including Numicon. Once secure, children will use their knowledge for addition and subtraction, including with money.

**Science**

This term the children will identify, compare and classify different animals, as well as human body parts and senses. We will record the daily weather each day, thinking about the type of weathers expected with each season, and noticing how the day length varies.

**Theme:**

'Theme' sessions incorporate the stand-alone subjects of Art, DT, Music, History and Geography and this term, the focus is Geography with '**My Home**'. Children will explore where their home is in relation to the 4 UK countries and the wider world. We will also look at capital cities, the 7 continents (and oceans). They will describe where they live using geographical terms, and think about different uses of buildings and land.

**PE & Games:**

PE this term is on Thursdays and will be basic skills. Children should come into school in their PE kits. PE is taught by Mr Farbrace, alongside Robins staff.

**RE:**

Our big question is '**Who made the world?**' Discussion will be around how God created the universe, and the Earth and everything in it are important to Him and how we should care for the World. We will think about the unique relationship that - God has with human beings,

**Computing:**

This term, the children will customise their Avatar, save and retrieve work, become proficient at logging in/ logging out.

**Phonics:**

This is taught in groups according to current knowledge. Year R will use short practical activities to develop knowledge.

If you have any questions at all, please drop in and ask!

**Kind regards,  
Mrs Lee**

**WOODLANDS:** This year, children will also take part in weekly woodlands lessons, which will be on Tuesdays. Please send in wellies and waterproofs for these activities, which should stay in school. Please **ensure all uniform is named**. Homework will be given out at the beginning of each term on a grid format for you to select activities, and which includes daily reading and spelling.