



Elder Class

Autumn term 2025



English

For the first 6 weeks of this term, the children will be participating in SPAG (spelling, punctuation and grammar) lessons to learn a variety of grammatical techniques that they can use and apply to their writing throughout the year. After the SPAG practise, the children will be writing and performing their own fun limerick poems to the class.

After October half term, the class will be writing in a persuasive way by writing their own letter of complaint on a topic important to them. Before finally writing newspaper reports about the Battle of Hastings, linked to our history unit.

French

This term the children will learn conversational language to use when talking about themselves, including being able to express what they want to be when they grow up and explaining how they are feeling.

History

This term the children will be participating in an historical enquiry to explore what the effect of Anglo-Saxons was and how the Vikings settled in Britain. As part of the unit, the class will be learning all about the invasions of Anglo-Saxons and Vikings on Britain, where they settled, how they lived and what impact they have had on our lives today.

Music

The children will be listening to and appraising a range of classic rock songs, focusing on learning and performing the song 'Livin' on a prayer'.

Art

In Art, the children will be looking at sculpture and exploring the work of British sculptor, Antony Gormley. They will study his techniques before utilising them in their own work. They will learn how to safely use sculpting wire, clay and modroc.

PE

PE this term will be taught on a Wednesday afternoon. As part of these sessions, the children will be developing their agility skills by participating in ball-chasing activities. On Thursdays, the class will be attending swimming lessons at Leisure At in Cheltenham. The swimming lessons will start on Thursday 25th September and run until Thursday 4th December. Forest school sessions will also begin after October half term.

Please ensure your child has a fully named PE kit in school at the start of every week.

Maths

This half term, the children will be securing their knowledge of numbers up to one million. They will be able to compare, order and round a range of numbers. They will then be learning how to add and subtract numbers with four digits and solve word problems using these skills. After half term, the children will be learning about prime, square and cube numbers and then beginning to learn how to add and subtract fractions.

Science

This term, the children will be exploring two science units: Animals, including humans and Forces. For the first term, the children will learn all about the gestation period of animals and learn to identify and explain the changes that happen as we develop from a baby to an adult. During the Forces unit, the class will be investigating a range of forces and understanding what mechanisms are and how they work.

Computing

The children will learn a wide range of skills from keeping safe online to how computers and networks operate. They will also be using the programme 'Scratch' on iPads and laptops to develop their programming skills and understanding what an algorithm is as well as knowing how to correct and debug.

RE

This half term, the children will be focusing on Christianity and why Christians believe God is holy and loving. After half term, we will learn about Islam and what it means to be a Muslim in Britain today. We will explore how local Muslims follow their religion by interviewing an Imam.

D&T

This term the children will be preparing and making a Bolognese dish and will be creating a functional doodler when exploring electrical systems.

Vision theme

This term's vision theme is 'Love God' which will be explored through the values of love, thankfulness, respect and reverence.

PSHE

The children will take part in fortnightly sessions focused on the theme of 'Valuing difference' and 'Being my best.'