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Meridian Angel: Autumn Term 2, Year 2 Kingston

Maths

This term, the children will be exploring addition and subtraction in practical and engaging ways. They will use real objects, pictures and number stories to help them understand how numbers can be put together and taken away. We will also be learning about 2D and 3D shapes, looking closely at their features and using them to build, sort and solve problems. Through hands-on activities, games and discussion, the children will develop confidence with number and shape in a fun and meaningful way.

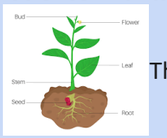
English

The children will develop their writing and reading skills based on the book, The Meerkat Christmas by Emily Gravett. The children will learn to write sentences building up to writing a postcard. Children will also recap capital letters, full stops and questions marks. They will learn the past and present tense, and adjectives and adverbs.

History: Women of Courage

Children will continue to focus on the lives of significant individuals in the past who have contributed to national and international achievements. They will reflect on two women of courage: Rosa Parks and Emily Davison and how they impacted the world today.

Science: Plants



This term, Year 2 will begin learning about **plants**. The children will explore what plants need to grow and stay healthy, and will observe how seeds and bulbs change over time. They will look closely at different parts of a plant – such as roots, stems, leaves and flowers – and learn what each part does. Through practical investigations, planting activities and outdoor learning, the children will develop their scientific enquiry skills and deepen their understanding of the natural world.

PHSE: Celebrating Differences
This term in PSHE the child will look at Celebrating Difference. They will learn that everyone is different, how to include others when working and playing, know how to help if someone is being bullied and how to solve problems

Physical Education:

Outdoor: Team Building
In this unit pupils will develop their teamwork skills. They develop skills of communication and problem solving. The children were also learned to discuss, plan and reflect on ideas and strategies. They will lead a partner considering safety and have the opportunity to show honest and fair play.

Indoor: Dance
Pupils continue explore space and how their body can move to express idea, mood, character or feeling. They will expand their knowledge of traveling actions and use them in relation to a stimulus.

Our PE days are on **Thursday** and **Friday.**

Art:
Pupils will continue to develop their ability to tell a story through drawing. Lessons will focus on creating textures, observational drawing, character expression, and storytelling through illustrations, enhancing pupils' mark-making techniques, observational skills, and imagination in art.

Music

Pupils will continue to focus their learning around one song: Hands, Feet, Heart - a song that celebrates South African Music. Buildng on their knowledge of pulse, rhythm and pitch through a variety of games and learn to sing a song. The children will also begin to prepare for the Christmas Nativity.

RE: Big Question: How does the symbol of light help us to understand the meaning of Christmas for Christians?

<u>Key questions to be addressed</u>

- What does Jesus mean when He says, "I am the light of the world?"
- What do you think the most important symbol on the Christingle is and why?
- How and why do artists use the symbol of light in their religious paintings?
- Who is your guiding light?

DT:
Children will continue to discover the importance of a balanced diet and creating a tasty, balanced wrap to meet a design brief. They will name the main food groups and identify foods that belong to each group. They will also describe the taste, feel and smell of a given food.

Computing: Programming

Learners will continue to programme using Scratch Jr. Learners will explore the way a project looks by investigating sprites and backgrounds. They will use programming blocks to use, modify, and create programs.

Geography: Weather- Hot and Cold Places:
Children will continue to learn why some places in the world hot and some places cold. They will explore climate, weather and physical features of different parts of the world.