Westlands First School and Nursery Medium Term Plan



Writing As writers, we will be consolidating our sentence writing and making sure that we use the correct punctuation when we are writing. We will explore the author Anthony Browne and write descriptions based on the characters and setting from the text 'Into the Forest'. We will then learn the story Hansel and Gretel and write out own versions of the story.		Maths As mathematicians, we will be starting with Number. We will recap counting forwards and backwards up to 100. We will also investigate place value and how to identify the value of each digit of a 2-digit using tens and ones. We will then look at comparing values then moving on to ordering objects and numbers. Finally, we will continue to practice counting in 2's, 5's and 10s and well and beginning to count in 3's.		Science As scientists, we will explore and compare the differences between things that are living, dead and things that have never been alive. We will then explore habitats around us and how these habitats provide for the basic needs of different kinds of animals and plants. Finally we will be looking at how animals obtain their food from plants and animals by looking at simple food chains.	
Geography As geographers, we will be exploring the local area and the school grounds and completing field work studies. We will be learning how to use the four compass points, directional language and to describe the features and routes on a map. We will also learn how to recognise landmarks and features on a map and devise our own simple map using symbols and creating a key.		Into the Woods		Music/Art As artists, we will be learning how to make careful observations and develop our drawing skills using colour, pattern, texture and line. We will be learning a traditional African call and response song and recognising simple notation. We will then be composing animal based call and response rhythms.	
Physical Education We will be developing fundamental movement skills and becoming increasingly confident with performing dances using simple movement patterns.	Religious Education We will be learning about Muslim faith and how Muslim people live. We will learn about God (Allah), the Qu'ran and the people.		Computing As computer scientists we will be exploring how information technology is used for good in our lives (at home, in shops, libraries, hospitals etc.) responsibly and safely.		PSHE We will be welcoming the children into a new year, setting classroom rules and routines and following the family links programme.