



Our topic this half term is **Winter Wonderland**.

Within this theme, we will expand our children's understanding of the world they live in and the wonders that it hides. The children will travel by text and the brilliance of their imaginations to the polar regions of the globe, finding out and comparing their landscapes and the animals to those local to the UK. We will explore the qualities of snow, and ice. We will also look at features of the season of winter including the changing weather.

As writers, we will be writing dictated and independent captions. Then we will begin introducing simple sentences.

As readers, we will read and explore some wonderful texts including *The Three Billy Goats Gruff* where we will use Talk for Writing to support us with learning the story. We will also develop our independent reading skills through our Little Wandle decodable books.

In Maths, we will work with numbers up to and including 10, including some addition.

In Science, we will look at habitats and how they change depending on where in the world they are, as well as the animals found in those places. We will explore melting and freezing and how these processes work.

In Computing, we will be exploring patterns in a sequence as well as taking part in Safer Internet Day and be introduced to copyright and ownership.

In Design and Technology, we will be making our very own ice lollies.

In Geography, we will be discovering the joy of map work and contrasting environments within the world we live in. We will explore some of these, and make comparisons.

In History, we will look at our learning so far and discuss what we now know.

In Music, we will be making up new lyrics with accompanying actions. We will sing and play a rising and falling melody following the shape with voices and on tune to percussion.

In PSHE, we will continue our My Happy Mind learning whilst also thinking about daily routines, sharing and personal hygiene.

In PE, we will take part in dance sessions and team games activities.