



Only One Me!



<p>English We will be using three texts in English to explore characters and their feelings. Our first text, 'How to Fill Your Bucket' was completed last week. The children thought about the ways we can make other people feel happy as well as how we can hurt each other's feelings. This week we are focussing on the character of Grace in the book 'Grace and Family' by Mary Hoffman. We will be looking at how the author gives us clues to Grace's character and practising different types of writing. Our focus will be on composing interesting sentences, especially using adjectives to describe nouns, and on punctuating them correctly. Our final text is 'Most Magnificent Thing' by Ashley Spires. This is a story about perseverance and solving problems creatively. It also uses precise verbs in a fun way. This text will link directly to our Design Technology learning.</p>		<p>Maths This term the children will be busy learning important concepts. They will be learning to recognise, say and write numbers to 100. They will also look at how these numbers can be partitioned into tens and ones and then explore different ways numbers can be partitioned. Next, the children will be using their understanding of number to help them add numbers to 100. They will also be continuing to learn number bonds for numbers to 10 and 20. You could help your child by pointing out bigger numbers when you see them and talking about them. You could also let your child handle a small amount of money to pay for things at the shops. Finally, you could support your child by talking about time, teaching them to tell the time on an analogue clock face using the o'clock, half past and quarter past and quarter to times.</p>	
<p>Handwriting The children will this term be learning to form their letters from the line, in what is called pre-cursive letter formation. This is will lead onto joined up handwriting later on in the year.</p>	<p>Phonics We will be carrying on using the phonics programme 'Letters and Sounds'. The children will be taught in groups so we can meet their individual needs.</p>	<p>Reading Our focus this term will be on developing reading fluency, through daily practice. We will be looking at finding information in a text and answering straightforward retrieval questions.</p>	
<p>Science This term our science is about animals, especially humans. The children will be looking at the basic needs of animals to survive, how animals grow and have offspring which grow into adults and the importance of making healthy food choices and taking exercise.</p>	<p>Computing In computing we will be learning what an algorithm is and then using them to help program our Beebot (programmable toy bees) to make them go where we want them to.</p>		<p>Geography This term the children will be looking at aerial photographs and maps of Park Wood. They will begin to understand how buildings and other features are shown on maps and then learn how to make maps of areas which are familiar to them, such as the school grounds.</p>
<p>PE We will have PE on a Wednesday and on a Friday. The Wednesday lesson is outside and focusses on games skills. This lesson is taught by a sports coach. The second lesson will be taught by the class teachers.</p>	<p>Design Technology Linking in with our English text, the children will be designing and making their own 'Most Magnificent Thing'. We hope to show you these at the end of the term!</p>		<p>R.E. Our R.E. lessons this term look at Hinduism. We will be learning stories, such as the story of Rama and Sita as well as learning about how Hindus worship at home.</p>

