



Welcome to Badgers Class

Years 5 and 6, Spring Term 4



This term, Badgers Class will engage in a variety of enriching topics across the curriculum. In Science, students will continue to explore the concept of evolution, examining key theories and their implications for understanding biodiversity. In English, the class will learn essential skills to write an action story.

In Mathematics, we will delve deeper into fractions, decimals, and percentages, enhancing students' numerical fluency and problem-solving skills. Additionally, Geography lessons will focus on the study of mountains. Our class text this term will be *The Explorer* by Katherine Rundell, which will enhance the pupils' understanding of the Amazon rainforest from last term.

<p>English Action story This term, Badgers Class will focus on the art of crafting action stories. Students will explore narrative structure, character development, and the use of descriptive language to enhance their storytelling. Through engaging activities, they will learn to create suspenseful plots and dynamic scenes, fostering both creativity and critical thinking skills in their writing endeavours.</p>	<p>PE Invasion Games In PE, our focus will be on developing specific skills through a variety of invasion games. These games encourage teamwork, strategic thinking, and physical fitness. Through activities such as cricket, netball, and football, your child will learn the principles of ball control, spatial awareness, and effective communication on the field. The PE this term will be at Witham Hall on Thursdays and at the Bythams on Fridays.</p>
<p>Science Following Darwins Footsteps This term, we will continue to focus on the life and contributions of Charles Darwin, exploring his theory of evolution. Students will investigate the principles of natural selection, adaptation, and the impact of Darwin's work on our understanding of biodiversity and the development of species over time.</p>	<p>Maths Fractions, decimals, and percentages</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tenths • Hundredths • Thousandths • Understanding percentages • Equivalent fractions, decimals, and percentages
<p>Music Musical Theatre</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop performances using instruments. • Use an integrated approach to music through games, pulse, rhythm, pitch and playing instruments. • Investigate the use of major and minor in music. 	<p>Art Craft and design – Photo opportunity This term, Badgers class will engage in an exploration of craft and design, with a particular emphasis on photography as an artistic medium. Students will develop their understanding of photographic techniques, composition, and the expressive potential of imagery, fostering both creativity and critical thinking skills in their artistic endeavours.</p>
<p>PSHE Rights, rules and responsibilities This term, Badgers class will engage in an exploration of rights, rules, and responsibilities. Students will examine the significance of individual rights within the community, understand the importance of adhering to established rules, and recognise their responsibilities towards others.</p>	<p>RE Christianity This term, we will continue to focus on studying the core beliefs, traditions, and ceremonies of Christianity. Students will explore significant concepts such as the nature of God, the importance of the Bible, and various Christian practices.</p>
<p>French Verbs in French This term, Badgers class will focus on the conjugation and application of essential French verbs. Students will engage in activities that enhance their understanding of verb usage in various contexts.</p>	<p>Computing Video editing The class will explore various software tools to enhance their digital literacy. Students will learn to create, edit, and produce short films, fostering creativity and technical skills essential for modern communication.</p>

Other Notes:
PE this term will take place at Witham Hall on Thursdays and at the Bythams on Friday mornings. Please remember that children will need to bring their PE kits to school. This term, Badgers class will be cooking and baking on Monday afternoons instead of attending forest school due to the weather. Children will be heard reading at least once a week. Please ensure that you read regularly at home throughout the week.

We are looking forward to an exciting Term ahead!