



Our theme for the first Autumn term is: 'This is our city'

We will be:



Maths

- Learning and using a range of strategies for addition and subtraction.
- Developing our understanding of place value.
- Counting, comparing and ordering numbers to 100.

English

- Listening to, discussing and expressing views on poetry, both classic and modern.
- Writing for different purposes using punctuation accurately.
- Writing using descriptive words and phrases.
- Re-reading own work to make any improvements.

Science

- Identify and compare the suitability of a variety of everyday materials.
- Find out how materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting & stretching.
- Understand why it is important to make predictions, observe carefully and explain our findings when carrying out an investigation.

Computing

- Develop skills saving and retrieving work.
- Use technology safely and respectfully.
- Improve awareness of familiar icons.

Music

- Exploring duration with tuned percussion instruments (Boomwhackers).
- Playing in time to a piece of music.
- Developing an understanding of standard notation.

R.E.

- Talking about places that are special to us.
- Finding out why a church is a special place for Christians.
- Finding out how Christians worship.

Art

- Using collage techniques and skills to make a scene building up layers using different media.

P.E.

- Learning, practising and mastering the skills needed to play outdoor games (overarm and underarm throws, catching effectively, tactics for team games).
- Learning how to co-operate with each other.

History / Geography

- Learning about historic Portsmouth and people who had an impact in the city e.g. John Pounds.
- Learning about the human and physical features of Portsmouth and the surrounding area.

How you can support your child.

- Read with your child every day, whatever the level of their reading.
- Encourage them to re-read if something does not make sense, read frequently used words quickly and accurately, and talk about the use of punctuation as one tool for reading expressively.
- Talk about what you know about Portsmouth, look at features of the city when out or on the walk to school.