



# Chestnut Class

## Autumn 1 Topic Web 2023

### Days to remember

Monday	PE – Come to school dressed in your PE kit.
Wednesday	Outdoor Explorers – Please bring wellington boots and bring a coat.
Thursday	Hand in homework
Friday	Reading Celebration - Our classroom is open 3pm each week for you to join us and listen to your child read.

### Chestnut Tree Class

Year 2



### Theme this half term

Explorers

### Core Read Aloud Texts



### English

This half term we will begin by learning about and writing Acrostic poems. We will then have a story writing unit using the book 'Traction Man is here' to inspire writing a story about exploring. Children will work on their understanding of using capital letters, full stops and finger spaces as well as developing spelling and story-writing skills.

### Maths

We will begin with a unit on place value where we will develop an understanding of tens and ones. We will then move on to a unit on addition and subtraction which will continue after the half-term holiday. In this unit we will work on number bonds to 10 and 20 and how we can use this to work out other maths problems as well as understanding how to add and subtract 2-digit numbers.

### Science

Our first Science unit is 'Uses of Everyday Materials'. In this unit we will build on work from year 1, exploring what everyday items are made from, sorting materials based on their properties and carrying out investigations.

### PSHE

This half term we will be introducing the class to the 'zones of regulation'. In these lessons, children will learn about different emotions and how they feel as well as begin to develop a bank of self-regulation strategies.

### PE

PE will be on Monday afternoon each week, so please send your child to school dressed in their PE kit on these days. Children will have an indoor gymnastics lesson and an outdoor fundamentals lesson covering key skills.

### Computing or Music

This half term we have a Music unit. Children will learn a new song and learn to play the melody on a simple instrument, as well as exploring how we can use our voices and making up actions to match the song.

### Geography or History

This half term we have a History unit of work. We will be learning about Neil Armstrong and Christopher Columbus in our History lessons. We will also share books about other explorers throughout the half term.

### Art & Design or Design & Technology

This half term we have an Art unit. In Art lessons we will be explore using collage and paint and use this to create seascapes. We will learn about some of the works of Claude Monet and Vincent Van Gaugh.