

The Glapton Academy

Year 1 Willow Newsletter

Spring 1 2021



Topic

Our topic for this half term is 'The Old Toy Box'. We will have a History and Design and Technology theme running throughout this topic. In History, we will understand the difference between past and present. We will be sorting old toys and new toys and sequencing toys from past to present. We will also be thinking about what materials the toys are made from. This links to our Science topic which is materials. In Design and Technology, we will be planning, making and evaluating our own toys including sock puppets and spinners.

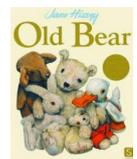


Book Recommendations

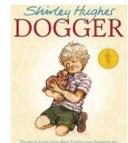
Traction Man by Mini Grey



Old Bear by Jane Hissey



Dogger by Shirley Hughes



Lost in a time museum by David Lucas

Homework

We know you are working really hard at home as parents with your child or children. We have put a homework mat on each class page on the website that will provide you with some creative ideas that you may want to add next to your home learning. Children can choose as many additional tasks as they like to fit in with their busy schedules at home.

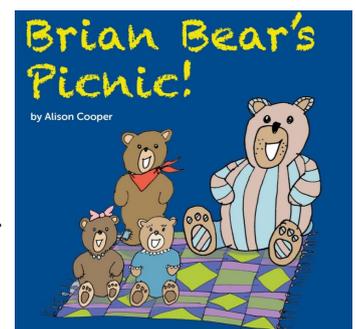


English

In English, we will be following a Talk for Writing programme all about Brian Bear's Picnic. This links with our topic of toys.

We will be reading the story of Brian Bear, answering questions, retelling the story and exploring language. We will also be writing postcards, thank you letters and looking at the history of bears.

We will also be writing some instructions on how to make a sandwich so we can go on a teddy bear's picnic! We will be using time connectives, imperative verbs and also exclamation marks.



Maths

Place Value (up to 20) and Addition and Subtraction within 20 is our Maths focus for this half term.

We will be using number lines, objects and pictures to identify and represent numbers. We will be counting, reading and writing the numbers to 20. We will be saying what is one more or one less than a number up to 20.

We will be partitioning numbers using a part-whole model, writing number sentences using the addition and equals symbols. We will be using fact families and number bonds to help us solve problems.

Maths Vocabulary

Place value

Twenty

Count

Compare

Addition

Subtraction

Equals

Number Bonds



Reading

This is a perfect time to reconnect with books and reading. It makes such a big difference when time is taken to read everyday. Once the children master their reading it provides them skills to connect with so much more of their learning and creates a sense of independence with their work.

We will update you on DOJO with news on reading

Rocketeers and how that will continue.



Phonics

We will provide you with a phonics lesson everyday with will start with flashcards and then move onto real word and nonsense word reading. We will then add some sentence reading.

PE

Our PE days will be a **Monday and Tuesday**. We will be focusing on Dance and Outdoor Adventurous Activities. Get outside as much as you can for PE lessons even if it's to get some fresh air in your back garden.



Diary Dates

I look forward to seeing you all again soon and working alongside you and your family.

Miss Johnson