

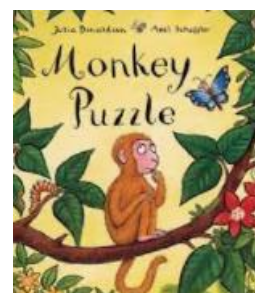
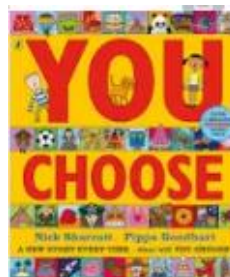
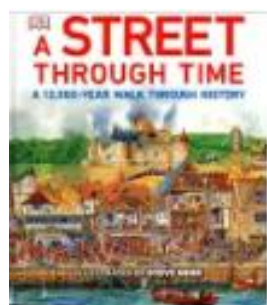
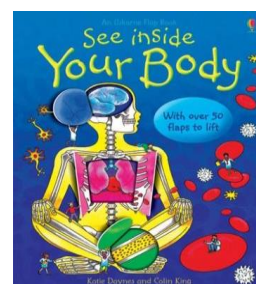
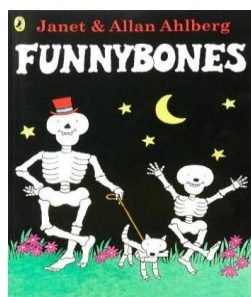
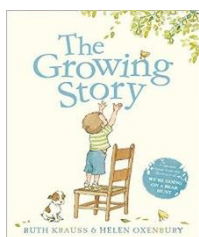
'Heads, Shoulders, Knees and Toes'
Squirrels Newsletter Term 1 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! We hope everybody had a great summer holiday. We are so excited to get started this term and hope you are too.

Our new topic will be 'Heads, Shoulders, Knees and Toes'. We will be learning about our bodies, how we grow and understanding healthy lifestyles. Alongside this we will be learning about how lives have changed over time (homes, food, clothing and cars.)

Some of the key texts we will be using for our learning are:



Useful Websites to support learning

<https://www.dkfindout.com/uk/human-body/>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z6882hv/articles/zttckqt>

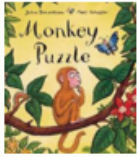

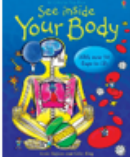



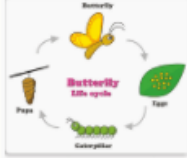

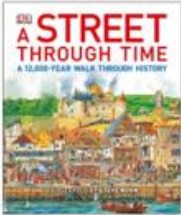











<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z9yycdm>

Key Questions

- 1) Can you find out how you have changed since being a baby?
- 2) Can you name some of the parts of your body, e.g. head?
- 3) Can you think of how homes have changed in history?

'Heads, Shoulders, Knees and Toes' Learning Map Term 1 2021

What are we learning this term?

Literacy	Story telling/ narrative 	Descriptive writing 	Information texts and factual writing 
Maths	Number and place value 		Addition and subtraction 
Science	Our bodies 	Life cycles and growing 	Investigations 
History/Geography	How have humans changed over a lifetime? 	How have streets changed? 	How have clothes changed? 
Music	Singing 	Listening 	Appraising music we hear 
ICT	E-Safety 		Grouping and sorting 
PSHE		Being me in the world 	

Art	Mark making  MARK MAKING IDEAS	Tones 	Illustrations 
RE	Creation story 		What is God like? 

Home Learning

Optional home learning topic:

- Can you take a look back at photos of yourself over time, how have you grown?
- Can you draw a picture of your home? What does your road look like?
- Can you make a meal at home and take some pictures to share with us?

Reading	<p>Please read with your child at least three times a week, even if it is just for 5 minutes. When reading with your child, please acknowledge the fact that the book has been read by <u>signing and dating in the reading record book</u>.</p> <p>During reading sessions, please discuss the story with your child and ask them questions about what they are reading. These questions will help to develop their understanding of what they are reading as comprehension and discussion are key reading skills in Year 1 and 2.</p>
Spellings and phonics	<p>Spellings will be given out every Friday- please practise these words with your child at home in their spelling book. These will then be tested on a Friday in school and their scores will be recorded. There will also be a task linked to their learning or handwriting patterns.</p>
Maths	<p>Please can children continue to learn their times tables at home. Year 1 children should be learning 10x, 2x and 5x tables. When secure with the 2x, 5x and 10x tables, children should be moving onto 3x and 4x tables.</p> <p>MyMaths can be used at home for the children to explore and practise skills from class work whenever they choose- please look out for more information on this which will be sent home in their book bags.</p>

Reminders

- Please can you make sure your child brings in a **named water bottle** and their **book bag** each day.
- Always bring in a **coat** in school as the weather can be unpredictable and we will be using our outdoor classroom throughout the day!
- Our PE days are **Mondays** and **Wednesdays** but PE kits should be in all week please.



Helping to enrich our topics

It is always great to have items that support our topic, so if anyone has any items that may help us with any of the work above that we could borrow, we would love to see them. We will have a topic-based 'show and tell' weekly on a Friday, see below the slot for your child.

Week 1 Friday 10th September - Year 1 boys

Week 2 Friday 17th September - Year 2 girls

Week 3 Friday 24th September - Year 1 girls

Week 4 Friday 1st October - Year 2 boys

Please do not hesitate to come and speak to us if you have any questions. We can't wait for the exciting term ahead!

Thank you for your support,

Ms Press (Tuesday - Friday), Miss Lewis (Monday) and Miss Hillier (Class TA)