English

During topic time the children will be listening to the story of ‘Peter Pan’ by J.M.Barrie, they will then be learning to become aware of characters

and how to describe their characteristics.

They will then use this to write an adventure story and a play script on Peter Pan and the Lost Boys. This genre will give your children the opportunity to create settings, characters and plot whilst exploring how language contributes to meaning and can add tension and suspense. Your children will begin to confidently use descriptive language such as; compound and complex sentences, similes and metaphors in order to create imagery within their reader’s minds. Your children will also be identifying the features of play scripts and the use of the colon. They will develop an understanding of stage directions in order to write a script, to then use these stage directions to perform.

Science

This half term your children will be identifying that they need light in order to see and that darkness is the absence of light. They will be looking at how light is reflected from surfaces and recognise how shadows are formed by opaque objects

Project Hook

This term – your children will become shadow hunters as they work together in teams to locate Peter Pan’s shadow, which he has lost in school.

PE

This half term your child will be creating a sequence of moves and transitions that incorporate a variety of balances in gymnastics.

PHSE

Throughout this project the children will develop their understanding of health and wellbeing, discussing debating issues concerning the ways in which rules and laws keep us safe

Your children will explore the concept that everyone has human rights and that human rights take precedence over other national laws, family and community practices. We will discuss and how and form strategies to help us resolve differences.

Topic outcome to parents

Shadow puppet performance to parents – Monday 11th February – 2.15pm.

D.T

This half term your children will make their own shadow puppet character. They will cut and shape materials and components with some precision to enable their puppets to move in a realistic manor in order to tell their story of Peter Pan. Children will learn how to combine materials and components accurately in temporary and permanent ways which will link to our text Peter Pan, a classic story with sounds.

Resources needed

Home Learning Task

This half term we are going to be using shadow puppets, to aid your child’s understanding we would like them to research the history of shadow puppets. Where did they originate from? What cultures in particular adapted this art form in order to tell a story? Which famous stories have been told through shadow puppetry? Use prepared cue cards to prompt you when presenting your research to the class.

Maths

This half term the children will be developing their measuring skills. Converting between and adding and subtracting different units of weight and capacity. Recognising angles as a property of shape. Identifying right angles and recognising that two right angles make a half turn (a ‘straight’ angle). They will also be using their multiplication tables to derive new facts using jottings and different representations. They will link multiples to equivalent fractions, recognising and showing, using diagrams, equivalent fractions with small denominators.