

Weekly Focus Letter - week beginning 13th October 2025

We hope that you find the focus for the week in English, Maths and Learning Journey useful, and hope that it will enable you to support your child's learning at home.

Year	English	Maths	Learning Journey
1	In Drawing club this week, the children were watching an episode of Mickey Mouse, 'Walkies in Space'. They will be inventing their own planet, and escaping through a passage hidden in a crater! We will be encouraging the children to write in full sentences, remembering finger spaces and to re-read their work to ensure that it makes sense.	In Maths this week, we be using everything we have learnt so far about numbers to 20 to compare them. The children will be introduced to the symbols greater than, less than, and equal to. They will then be comparing quantities and digits using the symbols.	In Art this week, the children will be making an observational drawing and adding shading. In Science this week, we will be continuing to investigate properties of materials. This week our focus moves to magnetism and whether all materials are magnetic. We will be carrying out a simple investigation to answer this question. We are researching Mary Seacole for Black History Month, learning and retrieving facts with connections to our core values.
2	In Curious Quest this week, we will be focussing on instructional writing. We will read, watch and then make a jam sandwich. We will use this to write our own instructional codes. We will then apply this learning to other instructional writing such as 'How to tidy the classroom.'	In Maths this week, we will be starting a unit of work on addition and subtraction. We will use our knowledge of number bonds to 10 to find number bonds to 100. We will also look at fact families within numbers.	We are lucky to have a visitor from Chartwells this week who will be running a healthy eating workshop for the children. This links to our Science and DT unit of work. The children will get the chance to create and eat a 'healthy salad.'
3&4	In English, we shall be delving into our new unit of character descriptions. We shall be exploring alliteration, onomatopoeia, powerful verbs and more using a greater depth description of a wolf.	In Maths, we will learn to use Roman Numerals and then begin a new topic on addition and subtraction firstly adding and subtracting 1s, 10s, 100s and 1000s. Year 3 will work with 3-digit numbers and year 4 will work with 4-digit numbers.	In Science, we will be finding out how vibrations are involved in creating sound. We will consider what affects the volume of a sound.
5	In English, we will be drafting a one sided formal letter on Itchingham Lofte's behalf, supporting his campaign to avoid being excluded from Cornwall Academy. We will focus on including the key features of a formal letter, such as the correct layout, use of personal pronouns, adverbials for cohesion, and a range of effective vocabulary to strength our arguments.	In Maths, we will be finding multiples of a number, common multiplies of a number. We will be identifying factors of a number and identify prime numbers.	In Art, we will be transferring our design from paper to a polystyrene printing tile. Finally, we will be printing with paint to produce our wallpaper in the style of William Morris.
6	In English, we will be finishing our biographies on Katherine Johnson. We are continuing to enjoy our Guided Reading text, 'Cosmic'.	In Maths, we will be exploring division. We have revisited short division and will now be learning how to perform the formal written method for long division.	In Science, we will be explaining how the Earth's rotation causes day and night.