

Weekly Focus Letter - week beginning 10th November 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 English, we will continue Curious Quest. During this week, the children will be finding out about the characters, Noodle and Titch who help us to remember our capital letters and full stops. They will learn that Noodle and Titch love 3 things; a cup of tea, biscuits and 'inventuring' (going on an adventure and inventing as we go)! They will then be writing a sentence using a capital at the start, finger spaces and a full stop.	In Maths this week, we will be continuing with comparisons and measures. We will be comparing objects that we have counted and deciding if one set has more or less/fewer, and understanding that groups can also have the same amount. We will be challenging the children to compare 3 groups of objects using the statements such as; '.....has fewer than....but more than.....'	For Science, we will be looking at different materials we can use to build a strong drawbridge. In Geography we will be looking at physical features of where castles were built and their purpose. For DT, we will be looking at the different parts of a castle, labelling a castle, drawbridges and their purpose.
2	In Curious Quest, we will be learning about the features of a diary with a focus on Samuel Pepys. We will then write our own diary versions as if we had gone back in time and were witnessing the great fire ourselves. Our code will focus on using the past tense correctly.	In Maths this week, we will be continuing with addition and subtraction. We will be finding 10 more and 10 less of a number, subtracting tens, and using resources to begin adding two 2-digit number together.	In History, we will be comparing old and new London to get an idea of the differences between the time of the Great Fire and now. In Art, we will be creating marks to represent vocabulary eg wavy, spikey, curved.
3&4	In English, we shall be continuing our learning about myths, particularly Thor and the Stolen Hammer. We shall be delving into features of myths and will use Kung Fu punctuation to help us develop our sentence writing. In Guided Reading, we will be using non-fiction texts about Romans to deepen our historical knowledge by using our retrieval skills as well as scanning and skimming.	We will be continuing to work on column addition with more than one exchange and then learn how to complete column subtraction firstly without exchange. . Year 3 will use numbers to 1000 and Year 4 numbers to 10,000.	In History, we will be finding out about our first Invaders from our new learning journey – the Romans. We will put key events onto a timeline and consider the reasons that caused them to invade Britain.
5	In English, we shall continue to our unit on non-chronological reports. We will develop our sentence writing using fronted adverbials. We will learn how to use bullet points and gather vocabulary to use in our reports. In Guided Reading, we will continue to read our new class text: 'Everything Castles' written by Crispin Boyer.	This week in Maths, we will be continuing our unit on fractions. We will compare and order fractions greater than 1. Then add and subtract fractions with the same denominator. We will progress further by learning how to add mixed numbers. Finally, we will add fractions within one and with a total greater than 1.	In History, we will learn about the evolution of castles. We will look closely at the Motte and Bailey Castle, The Stone Keep and the Concentric Castle.
6	In Guided Reading, we will be continuing to read our new class text: 'Letters from the Lighthouse' by Emma Carroll. In English, we will be starting our unit on writing a diary entry as an evacuee. We will be looking at diary examples, identifying key features and beginning to collect our own ideas to write our own.	In Maths, we will be starting a new unit on fractions. We will first find fractions of amounts, this links to our last unit on division. We will also continue to develop our mental arithmetic skills.	This week in History, we will look at the countries involved in World War Two and the outbreak of the war in Europe.