

Weekly Focus Letter - week beginning 3rd 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	This week we will be beginning our new writing adventure Curious Quest! We will meet our Faithful Friends who will be supporting us with our writing and be learning all about what Curious Quest is! We cannot wait!	In Maths, we will be introducing Comparisons and Measure. We will be using the vocabulary longer, shorter and taller to compare the length and height of objects.	This week we will be beginning our new learning journey of Castles. For Geography we will be looking at where castles are built and discussing their physical features. We will also be talking about the children's knowledge of castles in different countries. What do they already know?
2	In Curious Quest we will start looking at the text 'Toby and the Great Fire of London.' We will then use this to write descriptions of Toby, the fire itself as well as inventing a way to escape the fire. Our grammar focus will be on using expanded noun phrases to add detail to our writing.	In Maths, we will start to look at subtraction. We will look at subtraction on a number line, subtraction from ten as well as subtracting a one digit number from a 2-digit number.	This week we will start our learning on the Great Fire of London. We will have an immersive session where we go back in time to 1666 and see what London was like back then. We will dress up and have different props to see what the lives were like for the ordinary people of London in 1666 just before the Great fire started.
3&4	In Writing we shall be starting our new unit on writing our own myth. We shall begin with our Awe and Wonder lesson using drama and move into discovering features of myths.	We will focus on column addition including where exchange is required. Year 3 children will use 3-digit numbers and Year 4 children 4-digit numbers.	This week we will be beginning our new learning based on the question 'Why do we speak English?' We shall be exploring this through History and Geography.
5	In Writing, we will be starting our new unit on writing non-chronological reports on castles. We will explore examples of non-chronological reports, identify key features and collect vocabulary.	In Maths, we will be starting our new unit on 'fractions'. We will convert fractions from improper to mixed numbers and then vice versa. Then, we will progress to comparing and ordering fractions less than 1.	In History, we will start our enquiry into who William the Conqueror was and why he built castles.
6	In Guided Reading, we will be starting our new text: 'Letters from the Lighthouse' by Emma Carroll. We will be using this as our focus for our writing this term. 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.	In Maths this week, we will complete our unit on the four operations. We will look at solving multi-step problems, mental calculations and estimation and also the order of operations.	This week, we will begin our new learning journey of World War Two. We will explore why WW2 happened and the countries involved.