

Weekly Focus Letter - week beginning 16th March 2026

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 Phonics, we will be recapping sounds learnt over the last term and reading the sounds in real and alien words in preparation for the screener. In Curious Quest, we are moving on to creating an engaging and exciting middle to a story. We will be using the text 'Cindergorrilla' to support our writing and creating our own plan of a dilemma for a story, as well as creating our own baddies!	In Maths, we will be problem solving using our knowledge of number facts. We will be sequencing time events, using language such as first, then, now to discuss our school day. We will be ordering numbers to 20, as well as filling in missing numbers within a one hundred square.	In Art, we will be looking at colour mixing. This week we are going to be finding out about our senses. We will be asking questions like... Does anyone know what our senses are? How many do we have?
2	In Curious Quest, we will be writing our own stories linked to the Stickman text from last week. We will take our own plant based character on an adventure, making sure that our stories have a good beginning, middle and ending.	In Maths, we will be starting some work on measurement and length. We will look at measuring in centimetres, metres, comparing lengths and solving problems linked to measures.	In Curious Quest, we will start our own designs of our cats in the Laurel Burch Style. We will choose our favourite designs from previous learning and apply these to our own cat templates. We will then choose bright coloured chalks to decorate and embellish our designs.
3&4	In English, we will continue exploring the poem 'From a Railway Carriage' by R.L. Stevenson. We shall identify rhyming sequences and explore creating our own ones.	In Maths, we will be measuring and calculating both area and perimeter of rectilinear shapes.	In Art, we will be experimenting with different oil pastel techniques and deciding which effects will be useful for different parts of our landscape picture.
5	In English, we will start our new unit on suspense narratives. We will be sketching and describing our own circus creatures to include in our narratives.	In Maths, we will be learning to find the area of rectangles and compound shapes.	In Art, we will choose a favourite drawing from last week to reproduce on a bigger scale. We will then begin to fill this image with dots of colour that will represent the image.
6	We are continuing to enjoy our class text, 'The Explorer'. We are using our VIPERS skills to answer comprehension questions – Vocabulary, Inference, Prediction, Explanation, Retrieval and Summarise.	In Maths, we are consolidating our learning of angles in Geometry. We are also exploring the new topic of algebra. We will also be continuing to improve our mental arithmetic questions and work on answering reasoning questions.	This week, we will be completing our Bikeability Level 1 and 2 courses. We will also be continuing our cricket coaching sessions.