

## Year 1 and 2 Term 4 Curriculum Newsletter

Dear parents of year 1 and 2,  
Welcome back to term 4!

### Please remember:

PE for Owls and Squirrels is inside on a Monday. PE for Hedgehogs is indoor on a Friday. Owls have Forest School on a Wednesday and Hedgehogs and Squirrels will have outdoor PE on a Wednesday. Please make sure your child has suitable outdoor PE kit as it can get very cold.

Reading books and records should be in school every day. Please read with your child as much as possible – it really is the key to learning!

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us!

Thanks,  
Mrs Dobson, Miss Bennett and Mrs Pobjoy

### As Coningsby Authors we will:

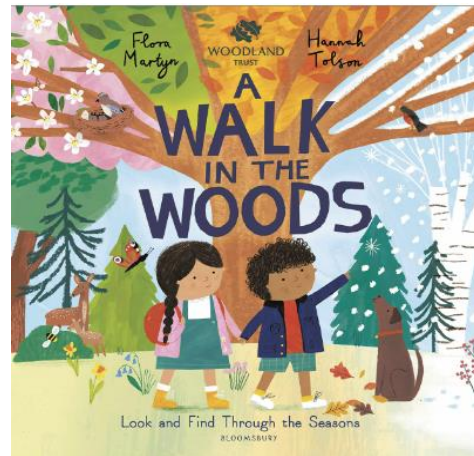
We will be using the book *A Walk in the Woods* to inspire our writing. We will start by exploring the book and the images, then we will write a setting description about one of the four seasons. We will then write a narrative changing the characters who go for a walk and pick a season to write about. We will then be writing a letter to the Woodland Trust about something unusual we might find there. We will then finish by writing a non-chronological report about a woodland animal.

### As Coningsby Scientists we will:

We will be learning all about seasons. We will start by looking outside for signs of winter and comparing this to what we already know about the other seasons. We will be keeping a daily weather chart for 4 weeks recording data which we will then transfer to a bar graph. We will also be putting out a rain gauge and collecting rainwater on a daily basis and again recording our data onto a table which we will then transfer to a graph so that we can ask and answer questions about our findings.

### As Coningsby Mathematicians we will:

We will start the term by learning fractions; year 1 will be finding and recognising half of a shape and object. Year 2 will be recognising, finding, naming and writing fractions to find  $\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\frac{1}{4}$ ,  $\frac{2}{4}$  and  $\frac{3}{4}$  of a length, shape and of objects. We will then move onto time where year 1 will order the days of the week, months of the year as well as tell the time to o'clock and half past. Year 2 will be finding durations of time as well as learning the time to the nearest 5 minutes.



### As Coningsby Geographers we will

We will be asking the question, 'Will it snow this summer?' We will be looking closely at the four seasons and what months are in each season. We will be looking at daily weather patterns and comparing this to seasonal weather patterns. We will be looking at what clothes are suitable for each season as well as comparing weather in the United Kingdom to other parts of the world.

### As Coningsby believers we will:

This term our church school value is Thankfulness. In RE we will continue to learn all about Islam and what it means to be a Muslim. We will be learning about what is prayer and why is it important, what makes a place special to us, what is the message of Eid-ul-Adha is, a festival that celebrates the sacrifice that the Prophet Ibrahim (Abraham) was willing to make for God.

### As Coningsby ICT experts we will:

We will begin by using labels to put objects into groups and labelling these groups. We will demonstrate that we can count a small number of objects, before and after the objects are grouped. We will then demonstrate how to sort objects into different groups, based on the properties we choose. Finally, we will sort objects into different groups to answer questions about data.

### As Coningsby Artists and Designers, we will:

We will be looking at Pop Art and the work of Andy Warhol to inspire our artwork. We will begin by creating a repeating pattern using paint and everyday objects. We will then go on a nature walk to collect leaves to use for leaf rubbing which is considered the oldest form of print making. We will then be using the leaves to create a repeated pattern picture using wax crayon then putting a watercolour or paint wash over the top to colour the background.