ENGLISH:

In English we will be reading 'The Day the Crayons Came Home' by Drew Daywalt. This great story will provide the children with opportunities to write letters and stories based on the feelings and adventures of the crayons. In SPAG (spelling, punctuation and grammar) we will be focusing on contractions, expanded noun phrases, question marks and exclamation marks. The children will also learn to understand and follow written instructions and write their own using imperative verbs.

MATHEMATICS:

In Maths we are continuing with our teaching for mastery approach

The children will learn how to:

- add and subtract two two-digit numbers;
- add three one-digit numbers;
- use money and solve simple problems in a practical context.

SCIENCE:

In Science the children will be learning about 'Changing Materials' and they will find out how the shapes of solid objects made from some materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching.

Children will also identify and compare the suitability of a variety of everyday materials including wood, metal, plastic, glass, brick, rock, paper and cardboard for particular uses.

COMPUTING:

Using the secure learning platform system in school, the children will learn how to send and receive emails, with a focus on email rules. As part of our Art focus the children will use a software painting package to create artwork seen at the Herbert Gallery. In guided reading they will use the IPads to read books online and research information to support their learning.

SPAG (spelling, punctuation and grammar):

We will be focusing on conjunctions (and, because, but), past and present tense, plural suffixes and imperative verbs.

HANDWRITING:

The children will continue learning to join their handwriting using letter join. The letter join formation is available in your child's home learning book if they would like to practise at home.

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PSHE:

In PSHE we will start the new year by discussing why 'Rules Matter' and learning the school rules that are in place to ensure we all are safe and happy in school.

Children will have opportunities to appreciate and celebrate differences and similarities between themselves and to experience how supportive it feels to belong to, and be valued by, the class group. They will have opportunities to develop empathy for others and think of ways to support them.

ART:

Our learning visit to the Herbert Museum and Art Gallery will launch our learning this term where we will be exploring patterns and prints as well as sculpture.

In D&T the children will be evaluating a range of crayon boxes thinking carefully about the design, structure and materials used. They will then design and make their own crayon box. In groups they will peer evaluate their final structures.

PE:

Children will be coached in games this term by Top Corner Coaching.

They will learn a variety of ball skills such as throwing and batting which will lead to playing rounders.

In dance the children will retell various stories putting sequences of movements together, performing them to music.

MUSIC:

Sapphire Class will learn how to play the djembe drums.

Indigo Class will be using our music scheme Charanga to sing, play, improvise and compose based upon the South African song 'Hands, Feet, Heart'.

Turquoise Class will learn how to play recorders.

RE:

Our big question in RE will be 'How and why we celebrate sacred days? '. Our focus this term will be the Christian Harvest celebration and we will make comparisons with the Sikh Langar meal. We will discuss being thankful and ways in which we can share and be kind to others.