



The Hive

AUTUMN TERM

Cottingley
Village
Primary School



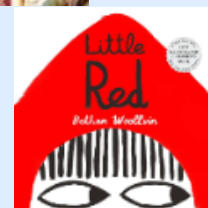
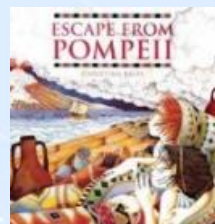
English

As readers, the children will explore *Escape from Pompeii* by Christina Balit and *Little Red* by Beth Woollvin. They will discuss characters, settings and key events, making predictions and drawing inferences to deepen their understanding of the texts.

As writers, the children will create a detailed setting description inspired by *Escape from Pompeii*, using ambitious vocabulary and descriptive techniques to bring a setting to life. They will also write a retell based on *Little Red*, focusing on sequencing events clearly and adapting key elements of the story for their audience.

Key text this half term

The children will read:



Maths



As mathematicians, the children will develop their understanding of place value, addition and subtraction. They will:

- Count, read and write numbers to 100.
- Recognise and represent tens and ones using practical resources, place value charts and number lines.
- Partition numbers to 100 in a variety of ways, including flexible partitioning.
- Write numbers to 100 in words and expanded form.
- Compare, order and estimate numbers within 100.
- Recall and apply number bonds to support mental calculation strategies.
- Add and subtract ones and tens, using place value knowledge to explain their reasoning.
- Add and subtract across a ten.
- Identify patterns and make connections between numbers and calculations.
- Solve addition and subtraction problems using a range of representations and strategies.

Science

As scientists, the children will explore the properties of solids, liquids and gases. They will:

- Identify and compare solids, liquids and gases.
 - Investigate how materials change state through heating and cooling.
 - Plan and carry out experiments to explore melting and evaporation.
 - Learn about evaporation, condensation and the water cycle.
 - Record observations, draw conclusions and use scientific vocabulary to explain their findings.

Phonics

As readers, the children will develop their phonics knowledge and early reading skills. They will:

- Revisit and consolidate Phase 3 grapheme-phoneme correspondences (GPCs).
- Read and spell Phase 4 words and tricky words with increasing confidence and fluency.
- Apply their phonics knowledge when reading unfamiliar words.
- Begin the Little Wandle Phase 5 programme, learning new graphemes and alternative pronunciations.
- Develop accuracy, fluency and confidence in reading and spelling.

The Wider Curriculum



History – Pompeii: The children will explore the ancient Roman town of Pompeii, learning about life before and after the eruption of Mount Vesuvius and how historians use evidence to learn about the past.

Art – Textured Clay and Tessellations: The children will create textured clay artwork and explore tessellations, using pattern, shape and texture to develop their artistic skills.

Computing – Online Relationships and Online Bullying: The children will learn how to build positive online relationships, stay safe online and recognise and respond appropriately to online bullying.

R.E. – How can we make good choices: The children will explore how beliefs and values influence the choices people make, drawing on teachings from Christianity, Judaism, Islam and non-religious worldviews.

P.E. – Athletics: The children will develop their running, jumping and throwing skills through athletics activities, focusing on technique, stamina and personal improvement.

Forest School – Natural Crafts and Play:

The children will use natural materials to create crafts and take part in outdoor activities that develop confidence, creativity and teamwork.



PSHE - SCARF Including Online Safety

Me and My Relationships - The children will explore how to build positive relationships, communicate effectively and show kindness and respect towards others. They will develop strategies for managing disagreements, recognising and expressing their feelings, and making positive choices. The children will also learn how to stay safe and responsible online in our computing unit.

Reminders

P.E every Wednesday.
Forest school every
Friday.

Dates for your diary

The Hive trip to Science and Media Museum –
Friday 23rd October 2026.