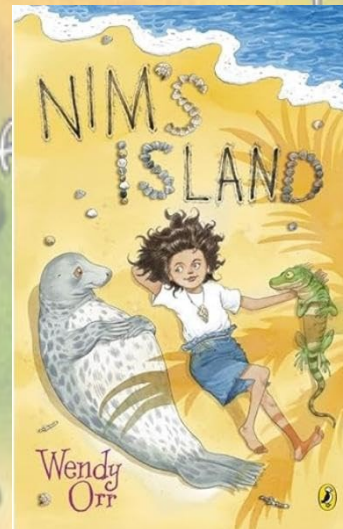


Hedgehog Class

Spring Term 1 2025

Nim's Island



End product - To write a diary and make a boat that floats

The background is a colorful, whimsical map of a fantasy world. It features various kingdoms such as 'beair kingdom', 'strang kingdom', and 'elvish kingdom'. There are also geographical features like 'hloot sea', 'back forest', and 'real gulf'. The map is drawn in a hand-drawn style with green hills, blue rivers, and small houses.

Literacy

Hedgehog class will continue to listen to and discuss a story they have read. They will watch the Movie 'Nim's Island' and compare this to the book and look at similarities and difference between the text and the movie. This will help with comprehension and critical thinking while reading a story.

We will continue to learn to leave spaces between words when writing and to punctuate sentences using capital letter at the beginning of the sentence, names and places, days of the week and months.

We will start to develop our skills in using the pronoun I, and past and present text in our diary writing, writing sentences about their own experiences.

Phonics

In phonics this half term some children will be learning the graphemes 'oa', 'er' and 'igh'. They will be learning to recognise the grapheme, know the phoneme, know the graphemes to make the sound, blend to read words and sentences with the grapheme in and segment to spell words with theses graphemes in.

Some children will be focussing on reading sentences, and spelling CVCC words to help them write short sentences using CVCC words and HFWs taught.

Some children will be working on guided reading sessions working on comprehension, spelling, grammar and punctuation.

Maths

Hedgehog class will be looking at direction for some part of the half term and creating a map of Saxon Wood School. They will be learning directional language like up, down, forwards, backwards, sideways, around, left and right. They will be estimating how many steps to each room in Saxon Wood, and mapping their findings out. They will be giving friends directional instructions to follow and will be taking part in following directions.

We will also be cooking up a storm in the kitchen making biscuits and sweet treats using coconuts, this is a great life skill for the children, we will be learning measure, weight, double and half, and most importantly safety in the kitchen while cooking.

PHSE

In PHSE we will be learning how to keep safe. We will be looking identifying some everyday dangers, how rules help keep us safe, who help us keep safe, know what to do if we feel unsafe. This will be taught using role play and scenarios. We will also be looking at how to keep safe at home and identify what the dangers can be by looking at different rooms in homes. Also, identifying how household products can harmful.



PE

In PE, this half term we will be exploring movement through dance. Focusing on imitating and creating movements to sequence together. We will be working on our spatial awareness when moving around the space as well as changing direction. We will be using pieces of music along with our movements to tell an unlikely tale about a penguin and a polar bear becoming friends. Later this will include an element of balancing too.

During physiotherapy children will be following their individual programs, having physio sessions and incorporating it in there day where able.

Science/DT

Hedgehog class will be designing and creating a boat that hopefully will float. They will be looking at different materials and be able to sort different materials based on their properties or characteristics. They will investigate which materials are absorbent and non absorbent. This will help them with deciding which materials to use when creating their boat. They will be performing simple tests, have opportunities to ask and answer scientific questions, use observation to explain and record their findings. During the designing and construction of their boat they will have opportunities to identify key structures of their design and to be able to label and talk through their design. Also try to select the appropriate materials and tools to make their model.

A whimsical, hand-drawn map of a fantasy world. The map features various geographical features and labels in a cursive, handwritten style. Labels include "blood sea" at the top, "cursed banks" on the left, "sono desert" in the center, "black forest" below the center, "elvish kingdom" at the bottom, "frowd kingdom" at the top right, "magan gulf" on the right, "ear island" on the right, and "reali gulf" at the bottom right. The map is filled with green hills, brown mountains, blue water, and small houses with red roofs. A green rectangular box is superimposed over the top center of the map, containing the word "History".

History

In History Hedgehog class will touch on learning about the Vikings. They will be looking at events that happened in the past and compare to how things are now. As the Vikings were well known for travelling the world in longboats, they will be looking and comparing boats from the past and present. They will be learning about timelines and where events/people fit within these. They will be encouraged to ask questions about past events and will have opportunities to research their questions. The children will role play being Vikings by working as a team and making a longboat out of class chairs and tables and will have to work together to make this. They will then pretend to be Viking travelling the seas by rowing the long boat to trade.