

What will we be learning:

Reading

We will be focusing on non-fiction texts, developing skills such as retrieving information, making inferences and understanding key features including headings, subheadings, captions and diagrams.

Geography

We will explore what a settlement is and learn about the differences between rural and urban areas. Children will also develop their map-reading skills, using maps to identify features and locations.

RE

We will learn about what Jewish people remember and celebrate during Shabbat. Children will explore its importance, traditions and how it is observed each week.

Music

In music, we will focus on singing and explore how ballads convey emotion. Children will listen to and perform songs, thinking about how lyrics, melody and expression can communicate feelings.

PE

In PE, children will develop their handball skills. They will practise controlling a ball, throwing and catching, moving with the ball, dribbling and shooting, building confidence and teamwork.

Art

In Art, we will be working with textiles. Children will explore how wax resist techniques work, experimenting with materials to create their own designs.

Science

In Science, we will be learning about plants and their functions. Children will identify the different parts of a plant and understand their roles, including the stem and water transportation. They will also learn about the reproductive parts of plants and the process of pollination.

Kestrel Class - Overview

Summer Term 1 - 2026

Our core story is:
The Journey by Francesca Sanna

Please do not read this at home with your child until the end of the half term so your child can enjoy hearing the story and emotion unfold in class.



At home you could:

Read daily at home with your child and talk about what you have read. Please use your reading record to record progress.

Log on to [TIMES TABLE ROCK STARS](#) and practise multiplication tables.

Explore plants and see what they look like under a magnifying glass. Use a map at home and see if you can identify settlements where you live.

Key English skills for your child:

In English, we will build on previous learning to further develop grammar, sentence structure and writing accuracy.

At word level, children will learn the difference between plural and possessive -s, including how to use apostrophes correctly with plural nouns. They will also develop their use of Standard English, particularly in choosing correct verb forms.

At sentence level, pupils will expand their writing by using noun phrases with added adjectives, nouns and prepositions, as well as incorporating fronted adverbials to add detail and variety.

At text level, children will focus on improving cohesion by using nouns and pronouns to avoid repetition, and by organising their ideas into clear paragraphs based on a theme.

In punctuation, the focus will be on using commas after fronted adverbials and correctly punctuating direct speech, including commas after reporting clauses and accurate use of inverted commas.

Maths Learning

In measurement, pupils will work with mass, capacity and volume, learning to measure, compare and calculate using grams, kilograms, millilitres and litres, as well as solve problems involving equivalent measures. In fractions, children will add and subtract fractions and mixed numbers, find fractions of amounts, and apply their understanding to reasoning problems. In time, pupils will tell the time to the nearest minute, use analogue and digital clocks, convert between different time formats, and calculate durations. In geometry, children will use coordinates to describe and plot positions, draw and translate shapes on a grid, and describe movements accurately.