

Our Topic

Our topic this term is 'Here we are'. The children will learn about Steventon and where they live. They will gain an understanding of where they are in the UK and learn about their immediate chronology.

They will learn about their senses and write labels, captions and sentences. They will be listening to poetry and creating some of their own.

In maths they will be deepening their knowledge of and solving problems with numbers to 10.

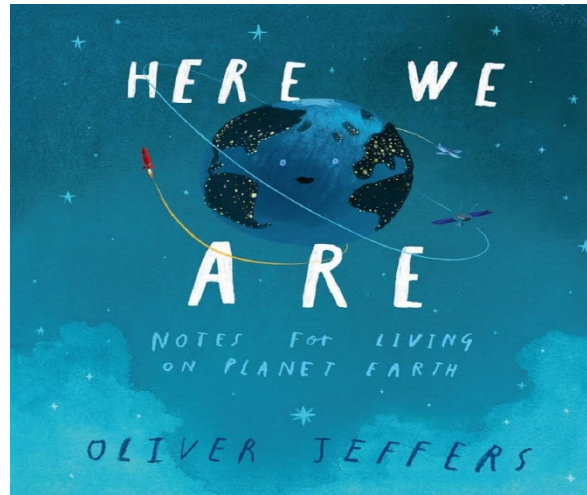
In science they will be learning about their senses and bodies and how they change over time.

In R, they will be learning about the Christian creation story and how this influences how Christians behave towards nature and the environment.

Reading

Children will read to an adult at least once each week. This will either be individually or in a small group. We will record this in their reading records and will then send the book home for them to share with you. Please use their reading record to comment on how they get on. For the first couple of weeks we will be assessing the children's reading level so please bear with us as we want to ensure they are reading the correct book for their ability. The children will also be encouraged to choose a book from our book corner (which may well be above their reading level) for you to read to them. We will also read to the children at least once a day. During this time we will be learning about different reading strategies and answering comprehension questions.

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P.E.

PE lessons be on a Tuesday afternoon children will need a yellow T-shirt (which doesn't need to be logoed), navy blue shorts or jogging bottoms and plimsolls or trainers in their PE bag which will remain at school and will be sent home each half term.

Contacting Us

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We will always do our best to respond to emails but if you have something urgent to discuss then it is best to ring the school office to arrange a meeting or phone call.

We will also communicate via Google Classroom so please check that when you can.

Donations

We would really appreciate any donations of small world characters (small people or animals). We are also in need of things to develop our role play such as dressing up outfits, a doctor's kit, a till, dolls' clothes etc. If you have anything you think would be suitable we would be very grateful.

Outdoor clothing

We like the children to be able to go outside in all weather conditions so if possible we would like them to keep a pair of wellies at school. Also please ensure they have weather appropriate outdoor clothing.

Below are some ideas for activities your child could complete at home. If your child does do any of the activities or any other work or activity linked to our topic please share it with us.

<p>Make a map of your route to school. Include pictures of some of the different buildings, other features and signs that you see along the way.</p>	<p>Draw a plan or map of your ideal neighbourhood. Who would you like to have living on your street? You might choose fairy tale characters, sports champions or pop stars.</p>	<p>Make a careful drawing of an interesting building from near where you live. Write about where it is and why you have chosen it.</p>
<p>Interview someone who has lived in your community for a long time. What changes have they seen? Which things are better or worse today?</p>	<p>Visit a local shop with a grown up. Write a shopping list before you go. Pay for your shopping and work out your change.</p>	<p>Arrange with your family to do something to improve the local community. This could be litter picking or helping a neighbour with some shopping. Take a picture of the work and write about how it made you feel.</p>