

Academic (wisdom, knowledge and skills)

- As speakers, readers and writers we will write and perform poetry based upon our learning themes. We will then move on to instruction writing based around the text 'How to Wash a Woolly Mammoth' before working on story writing, using 'The Selfish Giant' as our focus text.
- As mathematicians we will start the term by looking at Place Value. We will then apply and build upon these skills by working on Addition and Subtraction.
- As scientists we will identify a range of different materials, before finding out their properties and uses.
- For our history learning, we will investigate changes within living memory, thinking about concepts of time and how our locality has changed. We will like this to our ICT learning, considering technology around us and how this has changed.
- Our PSHE learning will focus on caring for our environment and ourselves. We will think about what a healthy lifestyle looks like and how we can help each other to stay healthy.
- As physically active learners we will focus on team games and developing our skills and fitness.
- As creators we will work on our drawing skills. We will also learn about cooking and nutrition, working towards our school Big Soup Share in the last week before Half Term.

Innovation

This Half Term Squirrels will have opportunities to:

- Learn about our local environment, why it is important and how we can all inspire change to protect it.
- Continue to develop an understanding of ourselves as Global Citizens and the role we play as individuals in our schools and homes.
- Use traditional tales from around the world to inspire learning.
- Be creative, reflective and independent learners in all aspects of school life.
- Link and share our learning with other schools from around the Trust.

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Once Upon a Time

This term our overarching theme is 'Stewardship' – How do we care for our world and our local environment? How do we care for each other?



Character

(hope, aspiration and courageous advocacy)

For this Half Term our focus virtues are **Reflection, Friendship and Generosity.**

We will...

- Explore these virtues in our whole school and class based assemblies.
- Join with Clinton and Dolton virtually.
- Look out for 'virtues in action' in many ways as well as develop our own character journeys and celebrate our own and others' efforts.
- Take part in 'inspiring speaker' and 'inspiring adventurer' enrichments as part of 'Character Sought' through outdoor learning opportunities and experiences linked with our learning theme.

Community (and living well together, dignity and respect)

During this first half of the Autumn Term Squirrels will:

- Explore UN Sustainability Goal 15 - Life on Land: 'How can we protect, restore and promote sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, sustainably manage forests and halt and reverse land degradation?'
- Learn about how to care for our local environment through a trip to Beer Mill, and use our skills as speakers to spread the word about caring for the land.
- Learn about people from local history who showed generosity towards others, bringing history to life and bringing the community together.
- Celebrate Harvest with the local community by holding a Big Soup Share.

