



This is me!



YEAR: 2026

TERM: Autumn 1

YEAR GROUP: 2

On entering our new class, we read the sign that says, 'We are all special and equally amazing!' This we all agree with, and it is now time to share with each other our thoughts about why we are special and amazing. What are our talents? What do we enjoy doing? What are our aspirations for this year and into our future? In these activities, we will explore how we can make positive contributions to our class and our friendships. After this personal exploration, we will discover that we remember people from the past due to their actions and aspirational choices. We will explore how they are similar to ourselves and how they made choices that affected their lives but also the lives of people around them and for people in the future.

Lead Subject: PDL

Our theme this term is all about ourselves and the relationships we form with those around us. We will be exploring how we can make the ideal classroom reminding ourselves about the importance of 'The Park Gate Way' and our School Values. We will explore what makes us special and help each other to find out more about ourselves. We will discuss the different feelings we may have and how we can be kind to each other. Considering how we make positive friendships and recognising how we can affect people's feelings by our actions will be an important focus.

Lead Subject: English

As part of our understanding about ourselves and our relationships, we will include some short poems with the theme of friendship and happiness. We will recite these poems and talk about how effective the vocabulary and structure impact on our enjoyment. We will rehearse and write linked sentences about ourselves, using correct punctuation, descriptive vocabulary and simple conjunctions. We will be sharing a range of non-fiction books relating to significant people involved in space exploration. Alongside this, we will continue to focus on our handwriting, reading and spelling.

Lead Subject: History

Whilst exploring why we are all special, we will find out about significant people from the past and how they demonstrated the values of resilience, achievement and teamwork. After reviewing significant people, such as Queen Elizabeth II, King Charles and Samuel Pepys, we will spend time exploring Neil Armstrong, Katherine Johnson, Tim Peake and the Artemis crew to find out what makes them special, particularly what motivated them. We will find out how historians use photos, video footage and reports.

Applied Subject: Computing

We will practise our key board skills and become more confident with recognising the position of the letters on the keyboard and revisit our S.A.F.E poster. We will create pictures using digital art.

School Values:

We will be learning about all of our school values to begin to understand what each one means and how these values can be shown in our daily class life. The value of resilience and aspiration will be explored in more depth.

Applied Subject: P.E

We will revisit our need to maintain a good level of exercise throughout our day to help us keep fit and healthy.

Maths:

To begin the school year, we will focus on the understanding and the fluency of number. We will spend time understanding the value of numbers below 100, recording and showing this in different ways. Counting in 2's, 10's and 5's will be revised by recalling the number patterns forwards and backwards starting at different numbers. Recording the numbers accurately will be important.

Outcome: Parents are invited into our 'Open Classrooms' on **Thursday 18th September at 3pm to see our work** and have a look around our new classroom.

Discrete: PE
Gymnastic pathways and movement skills

3 Weeks

Discrete:

Music: Timbre and texture

Discrete:

R.E. New beginnings

Home learning:

Please make sure that your child reads daily to an adult. Continue to record reads at home in your reading record book. We will start counting your reads from **Friday 11th September** towards your Reading Star badges.