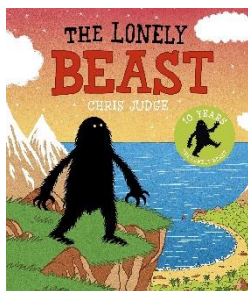


The Lonely Beast

Year 1

Spring One Term 2026



Key Areas of Learning

As **historians**, we will be learning about toys from the past. We will be comparing our favourite toys to toys that our parents and grandparents played with. We will also have an exciting opportunity to bring our favourite teddy to school and look at the similarities and differences between them.

As **scientists**, we will be exploring materials and their properties. We will begin by identifying what an object is made from and then go on to describing how they feel. We will then use our knowledge of materials to recreate the story of 'The Three Little Pigs'. The children will conduct an experiment exploring which materials are magnetic and not magnetic. They will use the skill of prediction before carrying out their test.

English

As readers, we will be continuing to develop our fluency with our reading and develop a love for reading. We will also be practicing reading with expression and with a 'story-teller' voice.

As writers, we will continue to use capital letters, finger spaces and full stops in our writing. We will also begin to use a question mark. We will review the use of nouns and adjectives as well as looking at adding an 'ed' suffix to create a simple past tense word. To collate our learning, we will be writing an invitation and a thank you letter.

Maths

As mathematicians we will continue developing the addition and subtraction skills introduced in Autumn 1, extending our understanding to numbers up to 20. We will explore more challenging number bonds, doubles, and near doubles to support calculations. Afterwards, we will move on to numbers up to 50, using tens and ones and part-whole models to represent and describe them, deepening confidence through practical activities, visual resources, and varied problem-solving opportunities.

Computing

In Computing, we are becoming data explorers. We will use software tools to group and sort recognisable objects. We will be collecting simple data and presenting it in a pictogram.

DT

As creators, we will explore joining techniques while making hand puppets of the characters from 'The Little Red Riding Hood'. We will learn why some techniques are more appropriate than others and use this to inform our design.

PSHE

We are learning about what helps us to stay healthy. We will be exploring how hygiene and medicines contribute to us staying healthy. We will also be learning about different professions that also support us in being healthy.

RE

We are thinking about what foods are important to use and why. We will then be learning about the significance of foods in a variety of religious practices such as Christianity, Islam and Hinduism.

PE

In Physical Education we will be focussing on orienteering and target games. Within our orienteering topic we will be navigating using maps and symbols. Within our target games topic we will be looking at different sports that require accuracy when throwing.

Music

As musicians we will be exploring sounds. All Music is made up of high and low, long and short, and loud and quiet sounds. We will begin to use these to create our own melodies.

Experiences

Exploring toys from different generations.

Whole School Events and Themes

Spring One
WB 02/02/26 Children's Mental Health Week

Spring Clubs Start- WB 12/01- Ends- 23/03