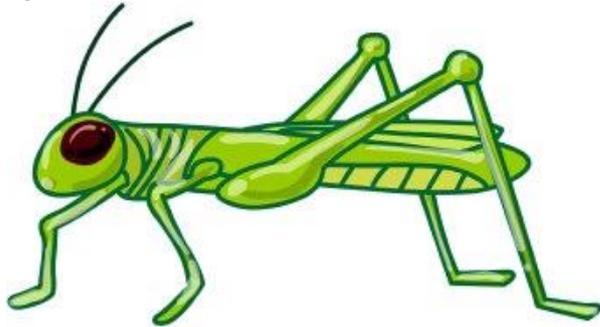


# Grasshoppers Class

## Important information



### **Autumn term themes: Nurturing Nurses**

**We will focus on History this half term and Geography for the second half of the Autumn term.**

If the children would like to bring any books, artefacts or information that could help us with our topic, this would be great but please make sure they are clearly labelled so they can be returned and be used safely in line with current guidance.

#### **Children's Questions:**

**Why were there no beds in the hospitals?**

**Why did Florence Nightingale have a tortoise?**

**Where was the war?**

**Why weren't there any women nurses?**

**How did they make the hospital clean again?**

#### **Other Information (trips and events)**

##### **AUTUMN TERM 2021**

Thurs 2nd September 2021 - Children in Years 1-6 start school

Thur 21st October 2021 - Children finish at normal time for half term

(Half Term - Friday 22nd October to Friday 29th October 2021)

Mon 1st November 2021 - Children return to school

Mon 6th December 2021—INSET Day - School closed

Fri 17th December 2021 - Last day of Autumn term - Children finish at 1pm

(Christmas holidays - Mon 20th December 2021 to Mon 3rd January 2022)

Tues 4th January 2022 - INSET Day - School closed

##### **SPRING TERM 2022**

Wed 5th January 2022 - Children return to school

# Grasshoppers Autumn Term Overview

## Nurturing Nurses



<p><b>English</b> Vlad and the Florence Nightingale Adventure</p>	<p><b>Maths</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Place Value</li> <li>• Addition and Subtraction</li> </ul>	<p><b>Science</b> Uses of everyday materials</p>
<p><b>Computing</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Managing Online Safety (Education for a Connected World)</li> <li>• Online Safety and exploring Purple Mash</li> <li>• Animated Story Books</li> </ul>	<p><b>DT</b> 'Our Fabric Faces'</p>	<p><b>Art</b> <u>Artist of the month:</u> Sept: Phyllida Barlow Oct: Sean Charmatz Nov: Henri Matisse Dec: Anthony Browne</p>
<p><b>History</b> Nurturing nurses, Florence Nightingale, Mary Seacole, Edith Cavell</p>	<p><b>Geography</b> What a wonderful world!</p>	<p><b>PE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fundamentals</li> <li>• Team building</li> <li>• Gymnastics</li> </ul>
<p><b>RE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What are symbols and why do people use them?</li> <li>• Why is the Bible an important book for Christians?</li> <li>• What does the Christmas story tell Christians about Jesus?</li> </ul>	<p><b>PSHE</b> <u>Jigsaw</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Being Me in my World</li> <li>• Celebrating Difference</li> </ul>	<p><b>Music</b> <u>Composer of the month:</u> Sept: John Williams Oct: Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart Nov: Bob Marley Dec: Bing Crosby</p>

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back after the summer break, we hope you all had a good rest.

**Overview:**

Please find enclosed information regarding topics and timetables. The theme for this term is 'Nurturing Nurses'. On the overview opposite, you will see the themes that your child will be working on, and the other curriculum areas which will also be covered. Communication is very important between home and school and at Stepgates Community School, we want you to be fully informed.

**Home Learning:**

Please refer to the "Expectations for Home Learning 2021-2022" document, issued electronically via Teacher2Parents on 17.09.21 for further exemplification.

**School Uniform:**

Please ensure that your child is wearing the correct **school uniform** at all times and on Wednesdays, when Year 2 have PE, your child comes to school wearing their full PE kit, which includes clothes for warmth as we will be holding sessions outside where possible. Forest Schools kit lists for sessions on Tuesdays can also be obtained from Mrs Pope, Forest Schools leader if required.

**Water Bottles:** Even though the weather is cooler, please encourage your child to bring a bottle of water - labelled with their name - into class to ensure they can have a drink during lesson time and throughout the day.

**Meet the Teacher** - On Monday 20<sup>th</sup> September, there will be an opportunity to attend a "Meet the Teacher" meeting to talk about the expectations in Year 2 and any other topics you wish to know more about. Please note, I will be unable to answer specific concerns regarding individual children at this time - if you wish to speak in greater detail about matters concerning your child, an additional meeting will be scheduled at a mutually convenient time.

We have high expectations of the children in Grasshoppers and wish to celebrate their success. Your child will be rewarded in class with stickers, certificates and raffle tickets. These rewards will be given for effort and good behaviour and we know that you will enjoy sharing their achievements. Thank you for taking the time to read this letter and we look forward to seeing you later on in the term. If you have any worries or concerns, please do not hesitate to email me directly on the email address listed below.

Yours faithfully,  
Mrs Thompson

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