



At Eversley Primary School we believe children learn best when they are happy and have a love of learning. Our values based curriculum provides them with the tools they need to be effective learners and prepares them for life, whilst supporting them to have the self -belief and determination to be the best they can be.

Our curriculum drivers are elements that are central to our school vision and ethos. They help to drive and shape the curriculum and are incorporated across all subjects and themes. They are:

Values: To us, this means being self-responsible, deep thinkers and caring citizens.	Learning for Life: To us, this means the ongoing and self-motivated desire to learn and grow.	Health and Well Being: To us, this means keeping healthy and safe both physically and mentally.	Enrichment: To us, this means deepening thinking and enhancing experiences.
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Within daily **English** lessons we will be focussing on becoming masters of our curriculum by:

- Reading the story of Paddington.
- Developing an understanding of sentence structure and punctuation.
- Using adjectives through descriptive writing.
- Writing letters and diary entries as Paddington.
- Writing lists about how to care for Paddington.
- Writing and following instructions to make a sandwich for Paddington.
- Practising spelling high frequency and tricky words correctly.
- Reading and sharing books including non- fiction.

Within daily **Maths** lessons we will be focussing on becoming masters of our curriculum by:

- Place value and ordering numbers up to 50.
- Mental calculation strategies and problem solving.
- Practising addition and subtraction skills and applying them to real life problems.
- Learning number bonds to 10 and 20.
- Looking at 2D and 3D shapes.
- Finding one less and one more of a number.

As scientists we will be
Learning about different materials. As part of this, we will learn the names of different materials, their properties and what they are used for.

As Geographers we will be
Learning all about the United Kingdom. We will learn about some of the famous features of each country, including natural and human features.

As historians we will be
Learning all about Queen Victoria and what life was like in Victorian times.

As Artists we will be
Learning about Paul Cézanne and looking at his paintings. We will compare works of art from other artists. We will then create our own drawings and paintings based on the technique of an artist.

As musicians we will be
Learning about the difference between pulse and rhythm. As part of this, we will create short rhythmic patterns and learn how to read and write rhythms.

Home Learning Project:
We will be asking the children to make a bedroom for Paddington using a range of materials. As Paddington is now in Mr and Mrs Brown’s house, we thought it would be nice for the children to make him some new furniture and wallpaper.
More information will be provided.

This half term you can help your child at home by:

- Hearing your child read everyday and discussing the storyline/pictures with them.
- Reading to your child and questioning their understanding of the text.
- Practising number and letter formation.
- Practising counting out loud in 1s, 2s, 5s and 10s.
- Playing simple ball games to reinforce turn taking.

PE
During partial school closures we are asking the children to engage in a variety of physical activities. This may include yoga, dance, outdoor learning or creating your own games.

French

PSHE
During our PSHE lessons, we will learn about different emotions and how to recognise these emotions within ourselves and others. We will also practise mindfulness through the use of Mindful Magic.

RE
In RE, we will be learning all about the life of a Muslim family. As part of this, we will look at different religious aspects of a Muslims’ daily life and family traditions.

Special Days and Festivals this half term:
4th January: World Braille Day
20th January: Martin Luther King Day
21st January: National Handwriting Day (UK)
25th January: Burns Night
Week beginning 1st February: Children’s Mental Health Week
7th February: Charles Dickens' Birthday
12th February: Chinese New Year (Year of the Ox)