

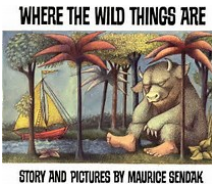


# Year 1 – Downs Way – Autumn Term 2017

Everyone at Downs Way is supported, challenged and secure in a caring environment.

## English Learning

Our topic for the half term is 'Enchanted Woodlands'. We will read two texts – 'Where The Wild Things Are' and 'The Three Little Pigs'. We will be immersing ourselves in the stories through drama, role play, story maps and character descriptions.

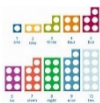


## Topic Learning

- Geography** - Children will explore their local area using first hand observations to enhance local awareness as well as developing essential map and field work skills.
- Art & DT** - We will be studying the artist Henri Rousseau. We will be discussing his different work and mimicking his style in our version of 'Tiger in a tropical storm'.
- Computing** - Children will be taught basic computing skills such as using hardware. They will also be taught to use the internet safely.
- RE** - We are learning about the creation story and what it teaches us about the world around us.
- Science** - We will be investigating different materials. We will be sorting objects by their material and also discussing their properties.
- PSHE & British Values** - We are exploring themes of friendship and learning how to be a good friend.
- Music** - Our topic 'Hey you' teaches children about the differences between pulse, rhythm and pitch.
- PE** - In gym, we will be learning how to balance and transfer weight as well as learning some simple routines. In games, we will be developing our balls skills working together.

## Maths Learning

Throughout this half term we will be doing lots of work with number. This includes number formation, understanding the place value of a number and what order numbers go in. We will also begin to add and subtract using cubes, numicon, pictures and number lines.



## Learning Alongside the Termly Topic

In Year 1 we are beginning to understand that there are different people in the world and we will be developing our understanding of the different people in our community, discussing the similarities and differences between people we know.

In Year 1 we will be promoting British values by talking about our identity and our own values and we will begin to explore and understand that our country has its own set of values. This half term we will be focussing on democracy, teaching the children to vote in class starting with our class school councillors.

Over the year we will be teaching children to become resilient learners by challenge themselves.



## Supporting Learning At Home

Daily reading for 15 minutes, phonics play <https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/InteractiveResources.htm>, simple letter and number formation. Thank you for your continued support! ☺