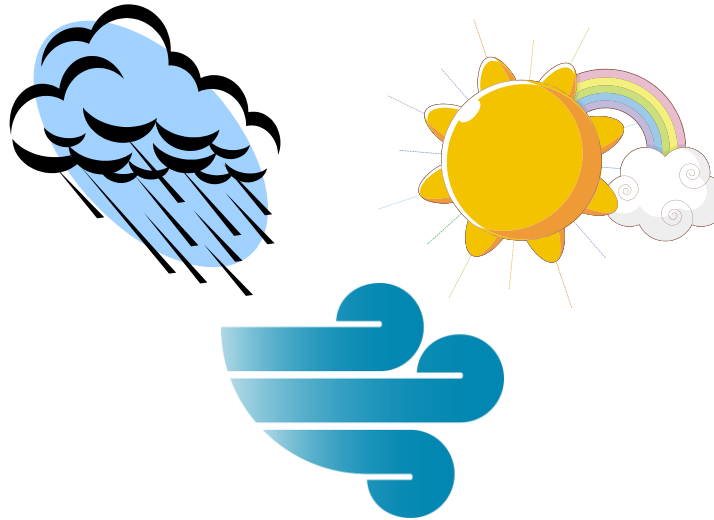


Dolphins' Topic Overview

Whatever the Weather



In **Geography** Dolphins will be learning about the different types of weather. They will look at the weather across the UK and around the world. The children will measure and record the weather over the half term. They will be looking at maps and identifying the different countries and major cities of the UK. The children will be recording weather forecasts of their own.

In **PE** the children will be composing dances to Vivaldi's 'Four Seasons' to link in with our topic on weather. On Wednesdays they will be further developing their games skills through playing Rounders.

In **Literacy** the children will be reading and basing their work on 'Lila and the Secret of Rain' for most of the half term before writing instructions linked with Easter. During 'Lila and the Secret of Rain' they will be writing setting descriptions and narratives including speech. They will use this story to write their own version called 'Hambleton and the Secret of Sun!' The skills that the children will be concentrating on are sentence structure and punctuation, using commas in lists, using phrases to describe when something happens and imperative verbs. They will be learning to use *if*, *when* and *because* to extend sentences and looking at where these can come in a sentence.

In **Art** the children will be using a range of materials to make collages linked to the weather.

In **Music** Dolphins will be continuing with the tuned percussion instruments, developing their understanding of pitch, particularly getting higher and getting lower, so they'll be playing up and down the C major scale.

In **R.E.** the children will be learning about the concept of Welcoming and relating this to Palm Sunday and the Easter story as well as to their own lives.

In **Science** the children will be learning about forces and movement. They will learn that pushes and pulls can make things speed up or slow down. They will also be investigating how pushes and pulls can change direction of a moving object.

In **ICT** the children will be developing their understanding of computer games. They will discover how they work and look for and change computer codes. They will also discuss how to behave safely when playing computer games and the importance of limiting the time they spend playing them.

In **PSHCE** the children will be developing their self-confidence through our 'Good to Me' unit of work.

In **Numeracy** the children will still be focusing on developing their fluency of number skills. They will be continuing to learn to add and subtract using number lines so that they can show how they solved a problem. They will be developing the concept of how these two operations are linked by using the inverse. In multiplication and division, they will be calculating mathematical statements and also showing these on a number line and using arrays. They will be gathering and presenting data, linked to our weather topic. They will be measuring capacities (rainfall) and temperatures.