English

We will look at a range of fiction and non-fiction books about toys. Using these books we will be writing descriptions and labels, as well as a focus on our own story writing using picture books we have enjoyed, including

- Nothing by Mick Inkpen
- Old Bear by Jane Hissey
- Pinocchio

Computing

Children will be designing and making their own puppets before writing their own plays to perform. They will learn how to record sound and to video their performances. We will also look at cartoons and coding.

History

We will be looking at the history of toys and how they have changed over time. We will then focus on Victorian toys and learn about Queen Victoria and some of the inventions of her time, comparing life from then to now.

Art/DT

We will use our art and design skills to create a puppet as well as a 'knitting Nancy'. We aim also to create a Thermo-trope! We will develop our observational skills to sketch old toys.

Geography

Geography lessons will take us on a bear hunt as we use simple compass directions and locational and directional language. We will also look at toys from around the world as we continue to learn about the continents and understand the similarities and differences between where we live and non-European countries.



Music

We will be learning songs about toys and creating music to match as well as listening to music by British composers.

PΕ

Alongside our usual PE lessons we will try to incorporate some dance using toys as our inspiration.

Science

This exciting topic lends itself to many areas of science including identifying a variety of animals. When reading our selection of books, our toys will come to life and will allow us to explore different animals, their diet and their structure.

We will then continue to identify different materials and consolidate our knowledge for this objective by exploring different toys. We will extend our knowledge of materials by identifying which materials our toys, and toys from around the world, are made from. This will lead nicely to being able to group materials based on their properties. During our focus on Pinocchio we will begin naming different parts of the human body and its senses.

This topic will also give us the opportunity to be able to explore more of the outdoors where we will be able continue to observe seasonal changes.

Maths

In maths we will be continuing our work on addition and subtraction before moving onto multiplication, division, measure and fractions. We will link the maths with our topic and use our toys to help us learn.