

**Spring Term Year:** Year 2 ES

**Unit of Learning:** How can we tell stories through music and dance?

**Overview:** This unit will have a focus on the Expressive Arts AOLE. Our learning will focus on how stories have been told through music and dance both historically and in the modern age. By looking at how books are adapted into musical productions, pupils will see how the arts can be used to explore character, emotions and events. Covering music, dance and visual art, pupils will get the opportunity to immerse themselves in performing arts. Pupils will learn simple pieces of music before composing their own original songs and instrumentals.

**Languages, Literacy & Communication**

**Reading:** Read the novel Matilda.  
Respond to the characters and themes of the book.  
Examine how texts are adapted into performance and song.  
**Oracy:** Respond to art, music and performance using specific vocabulary.  
Engage in discussions and debates around the arts displaying preferences and tastes.  
**Writing:** Retelling stories and writing original narratives.  
Examining playscripts.  
Write reviews of performances.

**Mathematics & Numeracy**

**Multiplication and division:** Recognising and making equal groups, arrays, doubling and halving.  
We will be focusing on our 2, 5 and 10-times tables.  
**Measurement:** comparing temperatures, reading thermometers, recall key features of different temperatures  
**Statistics:** Tally charts, tables, block diagrams, drawing pictograms, interpreting data.  
**Algebra:** Patterns, position, money, inverse operations.  
**Fractions:** Beginning to look at fractions, recognising a half and a quarter, finding the whole and starting to look at unit and non-unit fractions.

**Ways to help at home**

Daily reading at home.  
Completing weekly homework.  
Practise fundamental maths skills e.g. counting, addition, times tables.  
Play and listen to a range of music.  
Watch musicals at home, or at the theatre.

**Important Dates**

Non-uniform day for St. Dwynwen's Day - Friday 24th January  
Eisteddfod - Wednesday 7th March  
World Book Day - 13th March

**Reading books are changed every Friday.**  
**Homework is sent out every Friday and is to be returned on the following Friday.**  
**Nature Based Learning sessions take place every Thursday - please send your child in with a pair of footwear (wellies or old trainers)**