



Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been fantastic to welcome students back into IGB for the new academic year, as well as welcoming our four new students into the class. This term, our topics are Material World and The Show Must Go On. We are really looking forward to a productive and enjoyable year of learning.

Our class are following the Navigators Pathway. This means they are learning some subject specific content which is highly personalised to their strengths and needs. The table below gives an outline of topics, content, knowledge and skills that we will be looking at over the next term.

Numeracy	
Autumn Term 1	Autumn Term 2
Number. Count, Read, Write and Order.	Number. Addition and Subtraction.
Literacy and Communication	
Autumn Term 1	Autumn Term 2
Non-fiction: recycling leaflets, information about recycling, climate change. Students create their own leaflet.	Poetry: T.S.Eliot – Old Possum’s Book of Practical Cats – with ‘Cats’ the musical (Drama).
PSHE	
Autumn Term 1	Autumn Term 2
Getting on with Others.	Public and Private.
Reading	
Autumn Term 1	Autumn Term 2
Phonics Pathway. Pupils receive daily phonics sessions appropriate to their needs and module level using Ruth Miskin’s Read Write Inc.	
World around Us	
Autumn Term 1	Autumn Term 2
Science: Materials and their properties.	History: The Great Fire of London.

Food	
Autumn Term 1	Autumn Term 2
Taste Education. Food Safety and Hygiene.	Taste Education. Chopping Skills. Seasonal Cooking.
Design	
Autumn Term 1	Autumn Term 2
Introducing the visual elements – an introduction to line, tone, shade, shape, form, patterns & texture.	Exploring media and materials using the visual elements.

Arts and Crafts	
Autumn Term 1	Autumn Term 2
Craft tasks linked to the theme 'material world'.	Craft tasks linked to the theme 'the show must go on'.
PE	
Autumn Term 1	Autumn Term 2
MATP (Motor Activity Programme Targets). Rules and Routines. Movement and Communication for team games.	MATP (Motor Activity Programme Targets). Ball skills (throwing, catching, rolling). Spatial awareness and game tactics. Invasion Games.
Music	
Autumn Term 1	Autumn Term 2
Musical Theatre- Mary Poppins.	Musical Theatre- Cats the Music.
Enrichment	
Drama – Devising a performance (Earth Song). My Life Skills - Cleaning and home skills. My Wellbeing – Classroom Routines. Sensory Story - Milo's Materials. Attention Autism - Material World. Story Massage - Autumn. Dough Disco - Autumn.	Drama - Devising a performance (Cats the Musical). My Life Skills – Road Safety. My Wellbeing – Zones of Regulation. Sensory Story – Cats the Musical. Attention Autism - The Show Must Go On. Story Massage - Winter/Christmas. Dough Disco - Winter/Christmas.

If you are unsure about anything, please email me on Bottrillg@birchwoodschool.co.uk . I am always happy to help you with any questions you may have about your child.

Thank you for your continued support,

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