

ALIEN INVASION

Year 1

Autumn Term

Welcome back after the Summer break. We hope that you have had an enjoyable holiday! This year we are continuing an exciting, thematic approach to teaching. This allows children to make connections between areas of learning, and consolidate skills. All the themes chosen deliver the programmes of study for the National Curriculum. R.E and Science will be taught discreetly.

Maths

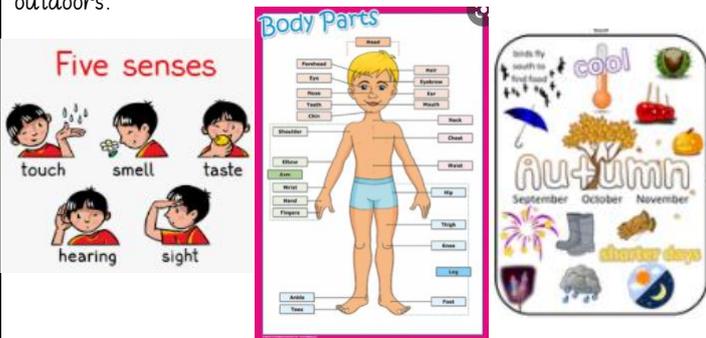
Continuing from their learning in Reception, children will be counting forwards and backwards in ones and tens and work towards counting to 100. Children will begin to understand the place value of numbers and know how many 'tens' and 'ones' make up a number. They will practise solving simple additions and subtractions using practical apparatus. They will also learn the features of 2D shapes and measure length and height. Each area of maths learning will focus on fluency, reasoning and problem solving

English

In English, children will be working on writing sentences, using capital letters, full stops and question marks correctly. They will work on using their phonics to help them spell words. Children will also be encouraged to use the conjunction 'and' to improve their writing. We will also focus on correct letter formation and holding a pencil correctly. The children will begin by sharing fiction texts with an alien theme. The texts will include Aliens Love Underpants and Beegu.

Science

In Science, children will learn the names of body parts and investigate their five senses by carrying out a range of investigations. Children will also study seasonal changes throughout the year, starting with Autumn! The children will have some opportunities to have some great fun and learning outdoors.



PSHEe

PSHEe will be an important part of our curriculum this year. As well as learning about the school rules and how to be respectful and polite to others, children will also learn about families and friendships and how to keep safe. Children will participate in discussions and debates in a positive manner.

Alien Invasion!

Our exciting new topic is starting with a crash! Oh no an alien has landed in our playground!

We will need to teach our new alien friend all about our local environment in geography, including plans of our classroom, maps of our school and we may even take him on a walk of our local area.



Let's use these plans and maps in computing to show our alien how to navigate programmable toys by giving instructions and let's show him how to make pictograms on the computer to represent things we have seen on our walk.

In history, the alien is going to want to know all about how we have changed from when we were born and the differences between now and then. We could help him sort and sequence artefacts too.

In DT, we need to help our alien friend get back home by designing and making a new spaceship for him by using different joining and assembling techniques.

In art, alien will want to learn about using different types of media to create different effects for each of the planets he's visited.

Let's listen to music together and discuss how different songs make us feel or want to move. I'm sure our alien friend will want to hear our lovely singing too!

Religious Education

Children will talk about experiencing something that they cannot see and identify one way in which Christians 'see' God. They will also learn about special stories for Christians and Muslims.

PE

This term there will be a focus on games led by Soccer 2000. Children will be learning how to throw and catch using different apparatus.

