

Year 1 Autumn Term

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Welcome back after the Summer break. We hope that you have had an enjoyable holiday! This year we are continuing with our 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. PSHEe, PE, R.E and Science will be taught discreetly.

Maths

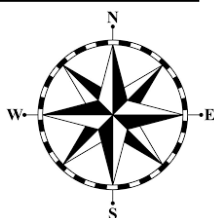
We will be teaching 'Maths Mastery' in Year 1. Mastering maths means pupils of all ages acquiring a deep, long-term, secure and adaptable understanding of the subject. Children will have a daily maths lesson that reinforces learning and allows children to take on new skills and apply these in a range of contexts. The daily maths lesson is structured to include mental skills, teaching points, independent learning and reflection time. Children work individually, in pairs and as a group to solve calculations and problems. This term we will be focusing on counting within 100, comparison of quantities and part-whole relationships, numbers 0 to 5 as well as beginning to recognise, compose, decompose and manipulate 2D and 3D shapes. Children will also have four 10-15 minutes Mastering Number sessions each week becoming fluent within 10 and knowing the composition of 11 to 19 as '10 and a bit'.

English

This term English will focus on sentence writing skills linked to our topics. Children will be encouraged to use capital letters and full stops as well as question marks. We will be introducing skills on how to make our sentences more interesting by adding time openers, conjunctions and adjectives. As always, children will be applying their phonetic knowledge to spell new and unfamiliar words. Children will then have the opportunity to apply these skills in a variety of fiction and non-fiction based activities.

Science

In science, children will be learning all about their bodies by naming different body parts and identifying which body part is associated with the five senses. We will also be learning about different animal groups including their diet. Children will also begin their learning on the four seasons by observing and describing changes throughout the year.



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.

Religious Education

In R.E, children will talk about experiencing something they cannot see and learn about ways Christians 'see' God. They will also learn about some special stories for Christians and Muslims.

PE

P.E this term will focus on multi-skills with Mr Green and gymnastics with Mr Turner.

Music

In music, we will be learning about the meaning of timbre. We will have the opportunity to use a range of instruments to make sound effects and create our own graphic score.

History

In history, we will be learning about the life of Pocahontas, what made her famous and why she is an inspirational historical figure.

Geography

In geography, we will be learning about compass points and how to describe locations and routes on a map. We will also be identifying the characteristics of the capital cities in the UK as well as naming the continents and oceans.

Art

In art, we will be exploring clay sculpture using different techniques such as kneading, rolling and shaping.

Design and Technology

In DT, we will be designing and making a prototype for an object a fairy-tale character might use. For this, we will be exploring different tools and equipment to find out how to make structures stronger.