

Year 1 Autumn Term 1

Curriculum Map

Phonics

Next week, we will be assessing the children's phonics knowledge and, once complete, will organise targeted groups to support their individual needs. As in Reception, Phonics will take place every morning with a 20-minute teaching input followed by a 20-minute guided reading session using an appropriately levelled book. Home reading books will be sent home once assessments are finished

English

This half term, we will focus on talking, forming and writing sentences, helping the children understand what makes a sentence clear and complete. They will practise using capital letters and full stops and begin joining ideas with 'and'. To support this, we will enjoy two core texts, 'Stanley's Stick' and 'The Leaf Thief'. We will also explore 'Out and About: A First Book of Poems' to inspire a love of poetry; sharing our favourites together and having a go at creating some of our own.

Maths

Maths for the Year 1 children will be taught by Miss Hole. This half term, the children will cover the unit; 'Previous Reception Experiences and Counting within 100'. They will be recapping numbers to 10 and looking at the cardinality of each number. They will consolidate number composition and begin to explore numbers to 20.

Music & Art

In Music with Mrs Berry, the children will be improvising and composing short pieces based around question-and-answer interactions. They will also learn to take turns playing, lead and follow, read a 'score' and create their own simple graphic scores.

In Art with Mrs Phillips, the children will be immersed into the world of Vincent Van Gogh's art. They will develop their conceptual knowledge on line, shape, pattern and texture; colour mix; explore thickness of paint and finally create their own collage sunflower artwork.



History

In Year 1, the children are introduced to the subjects of History and Geography, which alternate each half term. We begin this half term with History, exploring the big question: What is History? In doing so, we will learn about holidays in the past and how they compare to holidays today. We will create simple timelines using vocabulary such as 'before' and 'after', explore photographs to see how holidays have changed and identify similarities and differences between 'then' and 'now'. We will also share our own holiday memories, ask and answer simple questions about the past and begin to describe what holidays used to be like compared to today.

Science & Computing

In Year 1, the children are also introduced to the subjects of Science and Computing, which are taught every half term throughout the year.

This term in Science, we will learn about plants, their parts and how they grow. We will compare different types of plants and trees, explore seeds and bulbs and investigate what they need to survive. Working scientifically, we will ask questions, make observations using magnifying glasses and charts, draw and label diagrams, sort and measure plants and explore which parts of plants can be eaten. Our learning will be brought to life through our Learning Outside the Classroom days with Mr Wedderkopp.

In Computing we use Purple Mash to support us with our learning. This half term we will learn how to log in to Purple Mash, start and complete set tasks (2Dos), open programs from the Tools area, save our work and find it again in the Work area. We will discuss and learn about how we can stay safe online.

RE, PSHE and PE

In PE with Miss Storey, the children will be focusing on fundamental movement skills; exploring speed, agility and travel through games and challenges.

In PSHE, we will explore the unit; 'Me and My Relationships', thinking primarily about how we can be a good friend and successful learner at school.

In RE, we will focus on the big question; 'Is it possible to be kind to everyone all of the time?' We will also explore the significance of the Harvest Festival.

