



YEAR 1 CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

SPRING



ENGLISH

Children will continue to develop their Reading and Writing skills using Read Write Inc. Phonics Programme. They will build upon their knowledge of recognising sounds and blending them for reading and how to segment words into sounds for spelling. As their blending improves, they will move through the programme to more challenging and longer texts to build their reading fluency and stamina.

They will be practising their reading skills with a book linked to their reading level, depending on their stage withing the programme, this will be changed every 3 or 5 days. Year 1 will also continue to develop their writing skills. We are focusing on sentence structure, capital letters and punctuation before moving onto nouns and verbs.

MATHS

This term in Maths we will build on our Place Value understanding – sorting and comparing numbers and finding 1 more 1 less. In our Addition and Subtraction unit, we will look at different strategies to support us, such as using doubles, near doubles and learning bonds. Children will use fact families to support their arithmetic skills and relate them efficiently to help solve problems. For example, if we know $2+4=6$ we also know $4+2=6$ and $6-2=4$ and so on.

In our Measurement Unit, children will look at length, mass and capacity and will learn to measure accurately in cm.

SCIENCE

Science for this term will be Seasonal Changes. We will learn about the seasons, seasonal changes and typical seasonal weather and events. We will partake in different activities such as measuring the weather and the role of a meteorologist. Children will begin to learn about the science of day and night and recognise that the seasons have varying day lengths in the UK.

Art: Project Rain and Shine. This project teaches children about collagraph printing, including how to develop a motif to make single and repeated prints.

Design Technology: Project Taxi! This project teaches children about wheels, axles and chassis and how they work together to make a vehicle move.

Computing: Year 1 will think about online safety and consider who something belongs to online and what the word 'own' means. Children will be introduced to *Scratch Jr* by manipulating objects in projects to explore different commands.

History: Project Childhood looks at everyday life in the 1950s and Queen Elizabeth II's coronation in 1953. Children will explore how places have changed over time and highlight any similarities or differences between childhood today and childhood in the 1950s.

Geography: Project Bright Lights, Big City teaches children about the physical and human characteristics of the United Kingdom, and a detailed exploration of the capital city, London.

Music: Children learn about different styles and the dimensions of music (pulse, rhythm, pitch etc).

PE: Children will learn about elements of competitive sports in a fun, supportive way. This term they will focus on: Dance, Attack, Defend, Shoot and Gymnastics

PSHE: Keeping Safe – the children will learn about making healthy choices and being safe around medicines.

RE: We will be looking at the Jewish faith and in particular the festival of Purim.

DATES TO REMEMBER

- PE days for Year 1 – **Tuesday** (See website for uniform guidelines)
- Morning Library slot for Year 1:
1AMB: Thursday 18th January and Monday 4th March
1DR: Monday 22nd January and Thursday 7th March
- Friday 2nd February - NSPCC Number Day
- Tuesday 6th February - Year 1 Phonics Workshop 2.30pm
- Tuesday 8th February - Family Reading 2.45pm
- Half Term Monday 19th - Friday 23rd February
- Thursday 7th March - World Book Day
- Friday 15th March - Red Nose Day
- Friday 15th March - Family Reading Morning 8.15am

Science: Labelling parts of the body



Maths: Sorting 2D shapes



WORK GALLERY

Art: Collage Self portraits



Geography: Naming and locating continents and oceans

