

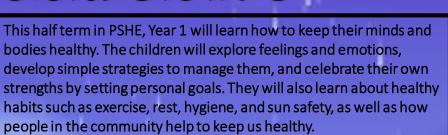
In Music this half term, Year 1 will be using their voices expressively and creatively by singing a variety of songs. They will be learning about pitch and practicing singing together in unison, developing their performance skills as they prepare songs for the Christmas Play. The children will also begin to learn the names of the instruments in the brass family.

During Autumn 2 in PE, Year 1 will be focusing on Dance. The children will explore how to use simple movements with control and coordination, responding to music and rhythm. They will enjoy learning and practicing dance routines in preparation for their Christmas Play, developing confidence and teamwork along the way.



This half term in English, Year 1's focus text is Katie Goes to London by James Mayhew. Using this story as inspiration, the children will be developing their early writing skills by learning to join words using 'and', punctuate sentences with capital letters and full stops, and use capital letters for names of people and places. They will also practice sequencing sentences to link ideas or events using pronouns, building up to writing their own non-chronological report about London.

Weather and Seasons



In Maths this half term, the children will learn different ways of making numbers using number bond and part-whole diagrams, and use these to create simple number stories and addition equations. They will develop their understanding of addition and subtraction by using manipulatives and pictorial representations, exploring the commutative nature of addition and learning to solve subtraction problems using number bonds and counting back.



This half term in Science, Year 1 will be exploring Seasonal Change. The children will observe how the weather and environment change across the four seasons and learn to describe the different types of weather we experience throughout the year. They will also investigate how the length of the day varies in each season.

In Geography this half term, Year 1 will be learning about seasonal and weather patterns in the UK. The children will explore the months of the year and identify the four seasons, describing how they differ and the features of each one. They will discuss the clothing we wear in different types of weather, learn to record the weather, and consider how weather affects different jobs throughout the year.

This half term in Art, Year 1 will focus on Painting, with Piet Mondrian as our inspiration. The children will recognise primary colours and some secondary colours, using an experimental approach to colour mixing to discover new shades. They will explore different painting tools and techniques, including brushstrokes and brush sizes, and will also experiment with creating different textures.