

Autumn 2 | Curriculum Newsletter

Topaz, Diamond and Sapphire Classes

This term, our topic is:

‘A Day in the Life’

We are learning all about people who help us.

Our core texts are:



Key topic vocabulary

Job	Career
Firefighter	Fire station
Vet	Prescription
Bin lorry driver	Recycle
Postal worker	Letter

Home learning ideas

Talking about the jobs of people in your family.

Talking about what children might like to be when they grow up.

Help the children learn their address and practice what they would say when calling 999 in an emergency.

Messages

Reading | Please read with your child at home as much as possible. This will really help their progress with reading fluency. The adult they read with at home should sign the children's reading records. The children who have their reading record signed and in school the most during the week will be in the running for our weekly **Top Reader book prize and certificate!**

Jumpers | Please can all children's school jumpers be labelled with their names to help prevent them going missing.

Festive activities | Please look out for more information about our festive activities on ParentHub including 'Songs around the tree' and 'Festive Fun'!

In Literacy, we will:**Reception**

Learn new sounds.

Use known sounds in our reading and writing.

Orally compose sentences.

Use capital letters and finger spaces.

Use adjectives to describe.

Recount real events

Year 1

Continue to learn and apply known sounds

Learn to write for different purposes and audiences.

Explore the features of different text types.

Write and punctuate simple sentences.

Use conjunctions to extend sentences.

Sequence real and fictional events.

Recognise words types: adjectives, nouns, verbs.

Develop our spelling of Common Exception words.

In Maths, we will:**Reception**

Develop our counting skills.

Explore how parts make wholes.

Investigate the composition of different numbers.

Use counting to find how many objects there are in a set.

Remember our stopping number when counting.

Year 1

Develop our understanding of addition within 10 and solve addition problems.

Begin to subtract within 10 using different methods.

Recognise, sort and make patterns with 2D and 3D shapes.

In Science, we will:

Identify, name, draw and label the parts of the human body.

Explore the change of seasons from autumn to winter.

In Topic, we will:

Learn about the history of Bonfire Night and explain the significance of Guy Fawkes.

Explore the roles of fire fighters, vets, bin lorry drivers and postal workers, using topic vocabulary.

Find out about how fire engines have changed over time and sequence them chronologically.

Continue to develop our pencil drawing and paint mixing skills, and to use colour for effect.

In PSHE, we will:

Learn about respecting similarities and differences.
Think about what makes us unique and focus on anti-bullying.

In PE, we will:

Develop our balance, co-ordination and teamwork skills in Fundamental Movement.

In Music, we will:**Reception**

Continue to develop our understanding of beat and rhythm in our Musicianship lessons.

Year 1

Begin playing the violin with our Music Masters teachers.

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