

Y1 Autumn Curriculum Newsletter



Maths

During the autumn term, we will be focusing on place value to start and then moving on to addition and subtraction using numbers to 10. The children will be using a range of practical equipment to gain an understanding of how the numbers can be partitioned and combined to create other values. We will also be exploring 2D and 3D shapes.

Science

In the first half-term our topic is 'Materials.' Within this, children will be exploring everyday materials and their uses. They will be encouraged to use the correct scientific vocabulary when investigating and recording their findings. In the second half-term our topic is 'Seasonal Changes.' Here we will be observing seasonal changes across autumn and winter as well as how humans and animals adapt.

Geography & History

In Geography we will be exploring and learning about our local area, with a specific focus on our school and areas within school grounds. In History we will be finding out about 'The Gunpowder Plot.' We will introducing timelines and using this event to gain an understanding of chronology and to events that happened before the child's living memory.

P.E.

P.E. will take place on a Thursday afternoon for Year 1. Children will need to come to school wearing a red P.E. top and black shorts, or jogging bottoms, and trainers. Any long hair should be tied up and earrings should be removed on P.E day. Children will be taking part in gymnastics and dance, focussing on movement and how our bodies can be used to make different shapes.

English

The children will have a daily Read, Write, Inc. lessons which will provide them with the phonic knowledge and skills to be able to decode and read accurately and fluently. English lessons will be based around different texts and children will be encouraged to write in full sentences using capital letters, finger spaces and full stops. Handwriting and letter formation will be one of the main focuses throughout.

Computing & P.S.H.E

In computing, children will begin by reinforcing the skills of logging on to the computer and learning about internet safety. They will begin to use different programmes and apps that will develop their skills in coding and animation. In P.S.H.E. we will be covering the module 'Created and Loved by God.' It teaches that we are created by God out of love and for love. Children will develop an understanding of the importance of valuing themselves.

Art & Design, Design Technology

In art we will be finding out about the artist Simon Hart and creating drawing and paintings in the style of his work.

In design technology we will be exploring weaving using different materials and techniques.

Music

The children will be learning to use their voices expressively and creatively by singing songs and speaking chants and rhymes.

They will experiment with, create, select and combine sounds to make different types of music.