

### History

This term we will be learning about **George Stephenson and the Railways**.

We will learn about who George Stephenson was and why he was significant, how railways have changed and George's impact on our local area and our country.

### ICT

We will learn the **SMART** rules and talk about ways to stay safe online when using technology and how to explore the internet safely.

### Art

In art, we will be exploring our painting skills and studying the **abstract artists Kandinsky and Delaunay!** We will use shapes, explore patterns and colours and create their own piece of abstract artwork.

### Literacy (Writing)

Year 1 will begin their writing with the genre of **Traditional/Fairytales** using the story 'Hansel and Gretel' and will focus on character and setting descriptions. We will then focus on Poetry for alliteration and onomatopoeia.

In **reading route**, we are using various texts starting with the Hansel and Gretel story focusing on the reading domains of comprehension, vocabulary, sequencing and retrieval. **Non-fiction texts** will also be linked to our History and Science topic!

**Spellings** - We will learn spellings from our **Sounds Write** sessions and the statutory spelling lists which will be tested on a Friday as part of our spelling quiz!

### PE (Tuesday and Friday)

**Ball Skills** - we will be focusing on handling a ball with increasing control, travelling with a ball, moving the ball around the body and throwing a ball successfully to others.

**Games** - we will explore moving in different ways and into spaces, playing games with others, using a variety of equipment and keeping score!

### Music

We will be learning to sing and play instruments along to the Charanga unit '**Hands Feet and Heart**'.

### SCIENCE

We will investigate the biology strand of **Plants** where we explore the parts of a plant and a tree, examples of plants and trees, how plants grow and what they need to be able to grow healthily. The children will perform experiments and test conditions of plant growth, gathering and recording data and using this to answer questions.

### RE

We will explore the topic called '**Families**' where we look at the people in our family and how we show love and care to one another. Our big question is **Why do we have a family?**

We will then explore the topic called '**Belonging**' where we will look at Baptism and being welcomed into God's family. Our big question is **What does it mean to belong?**

Also in this term, we are completing a unit on Judaism and finally, our advent topic is called '**Waiting**' where the children explore that Advent is a time of waiting to celebrate Jesus' coming at Christmas.

### PSHE

Pupils will include **Online Safety, Dental Hygiene, Healthy Eating** and our RSE units linked to RE.

### Welcome to Year 11

Take a look and see what we are doing this term. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any concerns or queries!

Mrs Roberts, Mrs Gowler and  
Miss Neesam



### Maths

Using the **White Rose Maths Scheme**:  
We will be working on our **Place Value** within 10, **Addition and Subtraction** within 10 and 2D and 3D **Shapes**.

We will also be completing daily **AXIS sessions** for mastering number to develop the children's number sense and fluency.

Dear Parents and Carers,

Please take the time to read your child's newsletter as it contains lots of useful information about the forthcoming weeks.

Attendance - We are continuing improve our attendance and would appreciate you support in this. Please contact school if you have any queries or require any support regarding attendance or punctuality.

Dates for diaries - We will send out a list of dates for Autumn term shortly.

Homework - The children will be given spellings and reading at home as homework each week to consolidate/reinforce what they have been working on in class. Please contact me, at any time, if you have any concerns with the homework. It is an expectation of our school that you read with your child at least 3 times a week.

Uniform - A reminder that jewellery including earrings should not be worn at any time for health and safety reasons. Nail varnish and stick-on tattoos are also prohibited.

PE - Please ensure a full PE kit is worn on the PE days which include black shorts/leggings or tracksuit bottoms, blue school PE t-shirt and trainers. PE is on Tuesday and Friday each week.

A member of staff will be present on the school yard each morning to discuss any issues and pass on messages to other staff members. Please do not hesitate to contact us, if you have any further questions or concerns. Make sure to check Seesaw for notes and messages regarding Y1 and whole school events!!

Thank you for your support,

Mrs Roberts, Mrs Gowler and Miss Neesam

Year 1 Class Teacher and Teaching Assistants