



Year 1 Curriculum Letter



Summer 2 2021

Below is an outline of some of the exciting things your children will be learning this half term in Year 1.

English

This half term our English focus will be writing stories with familiar settings. Our topic focus is 'The Great Outdoors.' We will be reading *Goat and Donkey in The Great Outdoors* by Simon Puttock and Russell Julian. We will then plan and write our own camping stories. We will continue to focus on using capital letters, full stops and joining words.



After this we will be writing our own information booklets about camping. We will be thinking of our own questions and researching information about camping to add to our booklet.

Maths

During Maths this half term we will be continuing our place value work from previous terms and be building on making numbers using tens and ones up to 100. We will then compare numbers using the language 'more than', 'less than' and 'equal to'. At the end of the term we will be working on recognising coins and notes and solving problems involving money. We will finish the Summer term by learning to tell the time using O' clock and half past.



Design and Technology

In Design Technology this half term we will be designing and making our own play grounds. We will be thinking about the great outdoors and the places we like to play. We will be researching the different types of playground equipment and will carry out a class survey of our favourite types. We will then use this information in a pictogram. We will think about the structure of the equipment and what materials would be best to build our own. We will also think about how we can strengthen our structures and evaluate and improve them.



Science

During this half term, we will be looking at distinguishing the difference between an object and material. We will be able to identify and name a variety of everyday materials including wood, plastic etc. Once these have been identified we will describe the simple physical properties of everyday materials. Finally, we will compare and group together a variety of everyday materials based on their physical properties. We will be participating in scientific investigations to find which materials are suitable to certain tasks.

"Be blessed by God, be happy and aspire to be..."

RE



In RE this half term our new topic is 'God and Creation'. We will be learning that Christians believe that God created the world. We will think about our own creativity and how we can create things of beauty. We will also look at how some people have spoilt God's world; we will think about how pollution is harming our world and what we can do to help look after our planet.

PE

This half term we will be working on Outdoor adventure activities with Mrs Howard. We will also be working on the unit 'Run, Jump and Throw'. We will begin to link running and jumping, learn and refine a range of running which includes varying pathways and speeds and develop throwing techniques to send objects over long distances.



Computing



This half term, Year 1 will be focussing upon programming. Within this unit, we will be learning how give and follow commands one at time verbally as well as on screen. We will be discovering the impact of errors within commands. In addition to this, we will be exploring simulations of real and virtual environments and making informed choices when exploring what happens within these. Within this, we will discuss the rules of simulations. Finally, we will be comparing the difference and similarities between simulations and reality.

PSHE

Our PSHE topic will focus on 'Relationships,' who is in our families, our friends and how our feelings can affect the way we may behave at times. We will then move on to our 'Changing me' unit. We will look at how we change and grow through our lives and how change can affect us and others around us. We will think about how we can cope with these changes and that sometimes change can be out of our control. We will discuss the change of moving year groups and our worries and anxiety about moving into Year 2 and what we are looking forward to.

