Year 1 Curriculum Letter

Autumn Term 2 2020

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

English

In English this half term we will be looking at Traditional Tales focusing our reading and writing on the tale of the Gingerbread Man. We will be practising key skills including the use of finger spaces between words, capital letters and full stops. Then we will be looking at the key features of a recount and understanding how we can recount a celebration we have been to E.g. A birthday party or wedding. We will be using our phonics to sound out our words and trying to sit all our letters on the line.

Maths

In Maths this half term we will be continuing our work on addition and subtraction using number lines to count on and back. We will be recognising and naming 2D and 3D shapes and looking at their properties. We will also be working on place value and learning how many tens and ones are in a 2-digit number. We will be writing numbers in digits and words and will be looking at key mathematical vocabulary related to place value.

Art

In Art this half term, we will be learning about Self - Portraits. We will research a range of self-portrait artists such as Van Gogh and Picasso and look at their techniques and materials used to create their Art work. We will then experiment with different materials such as chalks, oil pastels and paints to create our own self – portraits based on our favourite artists.

History

During this half-term, we will be focusing on History. We will be looking at our own history and recognising the difference between the past and the present. We will use this to help us understand and describe how we have changed over time, using pictures of our families and key words such as old, new, young and baby. We will be looking at toys and how they might have changed. We will also be looking at the Royal family and what toys they might have played with.

Music

This half term we will looking at 'Hip Hop' music. We will listen to a range of different songs including 'Happy' by Pharrell Williams and 'When I'm 64' by The Beatles which we will learn and then perform using actions. We will be learning about the pitch of different songs and how we can add musical instruments to enhance our performance.

RE

During RE this half term we will be learning about what life was like when Jesus the son of God was alive on Earth. We will talk about the human nature and experience of Jesus as he lived in the world at that time. We will also listen to the nativity story, the story of the Wise Men and the story of St Nicholas. We will think about the experience of giving and receiving gifts at a special time.

PE

In PE we will be focusing on the unit 'Attack, defend and shoot' We will practice basic movements including running, jumping, throwing and catching, begin to engage in competitive activities by playing team games and focus on improving our agility, balance and co-ordination. We will also be looking at our own fitness with Miss Howard focusing on dance and exploring space, direction, levels and speeds. We will create actions and perform movements with different body parts.

Computing

This half term in computing, we will continue to develop our skills using Purple Mash. We will be learning how to log on to the computers using our own login details. We will be looking at adding captions to pictures and saving our work into our trays and learning how to print. We will be recapping on staying safe on the internet and thinking about who can help us.

PSHE

This half term we will be continuing our growth mind-set and thinking about the characters in our classroom which will help us become mindful E.g. 'Be Proud Porcupine' and 'Give it a go Gorilla'

We will also be looking at the topic 'Relationships', looking closely at how we respect ourselves and others and also how families and friends have different roles in our lives. We will understand who is important to us and what it feels like to belong in a family and a community.