



Year 1 Curriculum Newsletter

Autumn term 2017



Welcome back! We hope you enjoyed your summer break! Below is a selection of the areas that your child will be studying over the next term.

English

The children will continue with the phonics programme, RWI, where they will focus on revising and learning new letter sounds. Also, during English classes they will read and study traditional tales, simple non-fiction lists, poetry and non-chronological reports.

Science

Our first topic this term is 'using our senses' where the children will identify our five senses that we use. They will identify, name, draw and label the basic parts of the human body and say which part of the body is associated with each sense. After half term, we will then be looking at 'animals'.

Geography

This half term the children will be learning about 'Hot and Cold areas of the World'. This will include learning about different geographical features of each area. We will be gathering information, interpreting data and verbalising and recording our findings.

PSHCE

Pupils learn PSHCE through daily reflection activities in the afternoon, assemblies and PSHCE days which are held half termly. The topics this term are: 'Me and my feelings' and 'Me and keeping safe'.

In Year 1 we expect children to:

- Read every day for 10 minutes and ensure an adult signs their reading record.
- Practise their Maths Passport targets regularly.
- Practise their handwriting and spellings every week.
- Take responsibility for their learning.
- Take care of all equipment sent home, including reading books
- Follow school rules at all times

Maths

This half term the children will mainly be focusing on their understanding of number. This will include number, number bonds to 20, place value, addition and subtraction and groups of 2s, 5s and 10s. After half-term they will continue with number, as well as learn the properties of 2D and 3D shapes.

History

After half term the children will be investigating the 'Gunpowder Plot'. This will involve sequencing the story of what happened. Also, we will find out about Guy Fawkes and his reasons for wanting to blow up the Parliament.

Computing

The children will be studying 'Online safety' this term. The children will understand the importance of getting help from their teacher or trusted adult before they go online, as well as talking about the differences between real and online experiences.

RE

This term the children will be studying the 'Special Days' that different religions celebrate. As part of this topic, they will learn why this day is important to that religion and how they celebrate.

REMINDER

Children should walk to their classroom door independently between 8:30am -8.45am every morning. Encourage your children to use the 'read, say, write, check' method when learning their spellings. Full **PE kit** should be brought into school on a Monday and left in all week. Children should take it home at the end of each half-term. **Reminder: no child should be wearing jewellery, black trainers or nail varnish.**