

Year 1

Summer Term 1

English

In Phonics this term we will continue to broaden the children's knowledge of graphemes (written presentation) and phonemes (sounds) for use in reading and spelling. They will learn alternative pronunciations for graphemes they already know. The children should become quicker at recognising graphemes of more than one letter in words and blending the phonemes they represent. We will also start practising for the Year 1 Phonics Check as discussed at parents evening.

Our Literacy work will continue to explore poetry in more depth and begin using descriptive language. We will also focus on stories based in fantasy settings. The children will learn to predict possible events in a narrative text and orally retell an adventure.

Please read with your child as often as possible as this will greatly benefit your child's progress.

Mathematics

This term the children will continue to consolidate and extend their counting and calculating skills. They will work on their ability to state the number that is one more or one less than a given two-digit number, and the number that is ten more or ten less than a multiple of ten. The children will also develop their ability to solve addition and subtraction questions mentally, learning some number facts by memory. Children will work on their ability to read and write two-digit numbers and partition two-digit numbers into a multiple of ten and ones, for example identifying that fifty-six is made up of fifty (five tens) and six ones. They will investigate weight and capacity, comparing, measuring and recording values using both standard and non-standard units. We will further our knowledge of fractions, learning to half numbers up to 20 and halves and quarters of a shape. Finally we will explore using money in more detail, using coins to make equivalent amounts.

Music

In Music the children will learn to recognise the difference between high and low pitched sounds. They will use a xylophone to investigate changes in pitch.

Art

In Art the children will investigate the materials and processes used in making sculptures. They will have the opportunity to design and create their own sculptures, using different tools and techniques in the process.

Personal Development

This term we will think about the people who are important in our lives. We will explore the emotions of pride and jealousy. We will talk about how we can celebrate the different things we are all good at.

Computing

In computing we will continue to learn how to use different programs and program simple instructions using Beebots and software like Scratch on the laptops and iPads. We will continue to explore how we can represent our work on computers and how we can use cameras to take pictures and videos to show our work in another way.

PE

In PE we will focus on games this term. We will work on our speed, agility and co-ordination.

RE

In RE we will find out about the Jewish festivals of Hanukkah and Passover. We will use this knowledge to enable us to identify some main features of Jewish belief and practice.

Reminders

- ❖ PE kit is required every Monday and Wednesday (Plain white t-shirt, plain dark shorts and trainers or plimsolls).
- ❖ Homework will be given out every Friday and to be returned the following Thursday.
- ❖ Spellings will be given out every Friday and will be tested the following Friday.
- ❖ Please make every effort to listen to your child read as often as possible as it will have a huge impact on their progress.

If you have any questions or problems, please do not hesitate to come and speak to me.

Yours sincerely,
Miss Ray