

Year 1 Autumn Term



Welcome back after the Summer break. We hope that you have had an enjoyable holiday! This year we are continuing with our exciting, thematic approach to teaching. This allows children to make connections between areas of learning and consolidate skills. All the themes chosen deliver the programmes of study for the National Curriculum. PSHEe, R.E and Science will be taught discreetly.

Maths

We are looking forward to beginning our third year of the wonderful 'Maths Mastery' programme in Year One. We will also be continuing 'Mastering Number' which provides our children with the skills to have a deeper understanding of the composition of numbers and be able to apply these skills to reasoning problems and discuss their Maths learning confidently. What an exciting journey to look forward to!

English

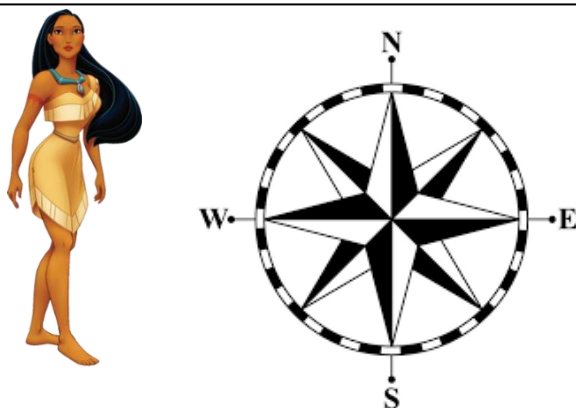
This term English will focus on sentence writing skills linked to our topics. Children will be encouraged to use capital letters and full stops as well as question marks. We will be introducing skills on how to make our sentences more interesting by adding time openers, conjunctions and adjectives. As always, children will be applying their phonetic knowledge to spell new and unfamiliar words. Children will then have the opportunity to apply these skills in a variety of fiction and non-fiction based activities.

Phonics

We will continue to use our phonics scheme Floppy's Phonics in order to teach children the skills they need to become confident readers. This will include recognising sounds and using them to blend and read regular words.

Science

In Science, children will be learning all about their bodies by naming different body parts and identifying which body part is associated with the five senses. We will also be learning about different animal groups including their diets. Children will also begin their learning on the four seasons by observing and describing seasonal changes throughout the year.



PSHEe

PSHEe will be an important part of our curriculum this year. As well as learning about the school rules and how to be respectful and polite to others, children will also learn about families and friendships and how to keep safe.

Religious Education

In R.E, children will talk about experiencing something they cannot see and learn about ways Christians 'see' God. They will also learn about some special stories for Christians and Muslims.

PE

P.E will take place twice a week and children will be taught a range of physical skills alongside cooperation and teamwork.

Music

In Music, we will be learning about the meaning of timbre. We will have the opportunity to use a range of instruments to make sound effects and create our own graphic score.

History

In History, we will be learning about the life of Pocahontas, what made her famous and why she is an inspirational historical figure.

Geography

In Geography, we will be learning about compass points and how to describe locations and routes on a map. We will enjoy a local area study. We will also be identifying the characteristics of the capital cities in the UK as well as naming the continents and oceans.

Art

In Art, we will be exploring clay sculpture using different techniques such as kneading, rolling and shaping.

Design and Technology

In DT, we will be designing and making a prototype for an object a fairytale character might use. For this, we will be exploring different tools and equipment to find out how to make structures stronger.