

# Year 1 Spring Term 2024



Welcome back! We hope that you have had an enjoyable Christmas break! This term 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 continue to be taught discreetly.

## Maths

In Maths this term, children will continue to build upon their learning from Autumn Term and enjoy exploring our new Maths Mastery journey. We will begin the term by exploring shapes and add plenty of problem-solving into the mix to keep us on our toes. We will continue to develop and understanding of the composition of numbers through the use of our brand new manipulatives, fabulous Shoulder Partners and the use of Stem Sentences.

## English

This term English will continue to 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 and exclamation 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 will continue to be taught through the use of our scheme 'Floppy's Phonics'.

## Science

In Science, children's learning will include exploring plants and different materials. Children will also continue their learning on the four seasons by observing and describing changes throughout the year, particularly as we move from Winter to Spring.



## PSHEe

PSHEe will be an important part of our curriculum this year. Children will be learning about what it means to belong to a community, taking care of animals and our environment and staying safe whilst using the Internet.

## Religious Education

In R.E, children will learn about stories which are special to Christians and Muslims.

## PE

P.E this term will be taught twice a week and focus upon developing a range of physical skills across different sessions.

## Music

In music, we will be learning about the meaning of texture and how symbols are used when composing music.

## History

In History, we will be learning about the life of Mary Anning and how the world has changed since prehistoric times. We will be learning about the ways in which the past impacts on the present.

## Geography

In Geography, we will be learning about our community, local area and the geography of our school. This will include human and physical features of our environment and roles within it. We will be locating features on a simple map and learning about how the environment is changing and can be sustained.

## Art

In Art, we will using a range of materials to design and make products and find out about the influence of famous artists and their work for example, Cesar Manrique.

## Design and Technology

In DT, we will be exploring how to build structures by making them more stable through the tools, materials and techniques we choose.