

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

Maths

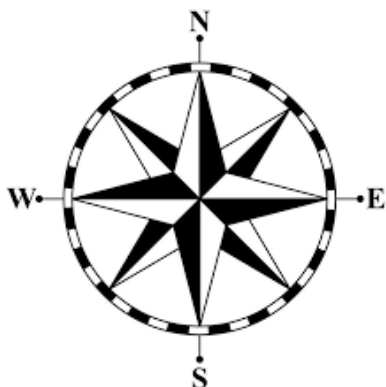
We are looking forward to introducing a new maths teaching initiative into Year 1 this term – please look out for further updates! As a result, the beginning of the term will be spent focussing upon elements of geometry including 2D and 3D shapes, directions and positions. Number skills will become a focus once our new and exciting maths learning begins.

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



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.