

Year 1 - Summer Term Curriculum Information

Please find below the learning focus and skills your child will be taught this term. Your discussions at home will really help your child's learning.

English Across the term, the children will continue to refine their English skills through the topics of Superheroes and Castles, Kings and Queens. They will be exposed to a variety of text types such as; information, stories and recount. Year 1 will practise reading and analysing these texts in a simple format. They will also be expected to re-read and edit their own writing to check for correct punctuation and grammar. The children will also continue to improve their letter formation and overall handwriting. There will continue to be a large focus on phonics to prepare the children for the phonics screening and children should continue to read at home on a regular basis to support this. Speaking and Listening skills will also be applied at available opportunities throughout the term.

Numeracy

Children will continue to practise and apply their range of Numeracy skills this term. Children will be expected to count, read and write numbers to 100 in numerals and read and write numbers to 20 in words. They will be learning a wider range of methods to support addition and subtraction, including inverse methods and mastery problems. Children will be learning how to solve a range of problems including money problems. They will also consolidate their knowledge of place value and partitioning. They will now be using more standardised units to record weight, capacity and volume of various objects.

Science

Seasons and plants

Children will continue to learn about Seasons through Spring and Summer. They will look at how the weather and day length has changed over the year and throughout the seasons. We will continue to plant and care for plants and understand how they grow and change. They will be identifying and naming a variety of plants. Year 1 will be able to answer questions by carrying out simple investigations to support the different areas of Science we will be covering.

Computing

Computing skills

Continue to develop keyboard and mouse skills and use a keyboard and word banks to type a range of information.

They will also use the internet to search, copy and save pictures relating to our topics.

We will also be using recording equipment in the second half of the term to record ourselves being mini-chefs!

Geography

UK

As part of their Geography topic the children will be exploring different aspects about the UK. They will discover that the UK is made up of 4 countries and have a chance to carry out experiments about the weather. As a comparison, Year 1 will be able to use their knowledge of Africa from last term to write about the differences in climate and weather in the 2 places.

History

Castles, Kings and Queens

In the second part of the Summer term the children will begin to understand what a monarch is and their role. We will be exploring this through fact files about our Queen and also through reading stories about Kings and Queens from History. As part of this, we will be taking a trip to look at a real castle in Alnwick!

Art

Sculpture

Pupils will identify a range of materials used in sculpture. They will be able to describe differences in surfaces and textures. They will make Sculptures using natural and made materials. As part of this process, they should be able to identify parts that they like and say what they find interesting about the sculpture they have created.

Design and Technology

Design and make healthy foods

Threaded through our 'Being healthy' topic in PSHCE, the children will be designing and making a variety of healthy foods. This will require the children to make careful choices, based on their knowledge of being healthy. They will also evaluate what they thought about their final product.

PSHCE

Being healthy and safe

Pupils will learn to understand how to make simple choices that improve health and well-being. They will be able to identify things which are good for them and also things which may affect their health or the health of others. They will understand how to be safe around the roads, through the Walkwise program we will be taking part in.

P.E

Athletics and games

Children will be learning how to play simple competitive games using basic tactics for attacking and defending. They will be learning a variety of skills to use in games. They will be practising, refining and applying a range of athletics skills.

Music

Exploring instruments, timbre and tempo

Year 1 will be exploring and creating sound effects using instruments in different ways. They will be following visual instructions and symbols. The children will make and select sounds for a variety of songs and create a class composition using a variety of instruments.

R.E

Buddhism and Islam

This term the children will be exploring the key questions; "What can we find out about Buddha" and "What does it mean to belong to Islam? How is the Qur'an treated as sacred?" They will be exploring these questions through knowledge and understanding of religion, critical thinking and personal reflection.



Please note that in most cases your child will be covering these topics as part of the creative curriculum. Links will be made across a number of subject areas. Depending on the level your child is working at, some of the objectives, particularly for Literacy and Numeracy may alter.