

Maths

In maths this half term, children will consolidate their ability to add and subtract within 20 by solving word problems. Next, they will learn the foundations of multiplication and division through equal groupings, sharing equally, repeated addition, arrays and doubling. Finally, children will learn to identify halves and quarters of shapes and develop strategies to find half and quarter of a number.

English

Writing: This half term we will be using the story 'Man on the Moon' to inspire our writing. We will be focusing on extending our writing to produce more detailed three part stories and instructions. The children will apply their knowledge of basic punctuation and grammar into their written work. They will be expected to use consistent capital letters, finger spaces and full stops throughout.

Phonics/Reading: This term, there will be a large focus on children consolidating their learning of all sounds in preparation for the phonics screening check in June in which they will be expected to accurately read 20 real and 20 nonsense words. The children will continue to apply their sounds and read a story every day within their Read, Write Inc phonics session. There will also be daily opportunities for children to enjoy a range of stories and poems during story time.

Science Our science this half term will focus on plants. The children will grow their own plants both inside and outside of the classroom. They will learn about the parts of a flower and their function, different types of tree, how trees change from season to season and carry out an experiment to investigate how water is transported throughout the plant.

History

Our new history focused topic, School days teaches children about their own school and locality, both today and in the past. They compare schooling in the Victorian era to their experiences today.

DT

Our new project 'Chop, Slice, Mash' teaches children about sources of food and the preparatory skills of peeling, tearing, slicing, chopping, mashing and grating. They will then use their knowledge to design and make a new supermarket sandwich according to a specific design criteria.

Art

This half term we will learn about artwork depicting streets and buildings. Children will focus on the work of the American pop artist, James Rizzi and finally create a 3D mural based on Rizzi's work.

RE

In RE this half term, we will study Sikhism. Children will discover key beliefs and symbols of this religion and as well as explore the important festival; Naan Karaam.

PSHE

In PSHE, our topic is 'Healthy Me.' We will be exploring what is meant by a healthy lifestyle, how to look after our bodies, basic hygiene rules as well as sun protection.

Computing

In our computing lessons, children will learn about coding. First they will explore instructions and learn that computer programs work by following instructions called code. They will then learn to use a simple programme to plan, follow and create their own code.

Music

Our music sessions this half term will focus on the song 'Your Imagination'. As well as learning to sing, play, improvise and compose with this song, children will listen and appraise other styles of music.

PE

Our weekly PE lesson will take place on a **Monday**. PE kits and trainers should be brought into school each week.

Home

Homework: Homework is set every **Friday** and must be completed and returned by the following **Wednesday**.

Spelling: Spellings are set each **Friday** and will be based on phonetic patterns and grammar rules as well as some uncommon tricky 'red' words. The children will be tested on them the following Friday.

Reading: Reading records and books must come into school **daily**.

We recommend that children read four times a week at home and this should be recorded in their reading record for me to see. Raffle tickets will be awarded for home reading.

A Note from the Teacher

What a great half term in Year 1!

The children have been working incredibly hard in mathematics to increase their fluency of doubles, halves and number bonds. They have worked as designers to create and build a London taxi in our DT lessons, remained active with invasion games and Judo sessions and enjoyed celebrating World Book Day and Mother's Day.

I hope you all have a lovely Easter,

Miss Hutchinson

As always, if you have any concerns or questions, please contact me via the admin email address or call the office to speak to me.



Curriculum Information
Year 1
Summer 1 2024



Main Topic:
School Days