



Spring 2023

Welcome to Year 1's Newsletter



Welcome back! We hope that you had a fun half term. We are glad that the children are back and we can see that they are ready for some exciting learning opportunities this half term.

English

The children will cover a range of genres and books over the new term. The children will focus on their sentence writing and developing their vocabulary.

Spring 1

The children will write their own recount on their trip to the forest. They will also read a text by Benji Davies called 'Grandad's Island'. This is a great adventure story about a boy who travels with his grandad to a magical tropical island.

Spring 2

The children will be creating their own Ice Planet adventure park. They will be writing their own persuasive leaflet to advertise the park they have created. The children will also be reading a text by Oliver Jeffers called 'The Way Back Home'. This is a fabulous adventure story all about a boy who discovers an aeroplane in his closet!

Reading

In Year 1, every week, we will be completing two guided reading lessons, two whole class reading lessons and a reading for pleasure lesson. Through drama and role-play the children will use vocabulary and questioning skills to understand the story.

Spring 1

Dogs Don't Do Ballet

Spring 2

Alan's Big Scary Teeth.

Maths

Spring 1

The children will develop their understanding of numbers to 20. They will also begin to complete addition and subtraction sums within 20.

Spring 2

Phonics

The children will continue to learn their phonic sounds. In June, they will be sitting the Phonics Screening Check which is a quick and easy check of your child's phonics knowledge. It is a short, statutory assessment to ensure that children are making sufficient progress in the phonics skills to read words and are on track to become fluent readers who can enjoy reading for pleasure and for learning.

Creative Curriculum

Spring 1

Geography

During the topic 'Wonderful Weather'. The children will learn all about climates, they will learn what weather and have the opportunity to become a Meteorologists and create their own weather report.

Art

In our topic 'Colour Chaos'. The children will be learning all about different colours. They will have the opportunity to be creative with colours and learn about different artists.

Spring 2

History

The children will be learning all about 'Kings and Queens'. They will develop their knowledge on the Monarch and significant British Monarchs. Along with learning about their own family trees.

DT

In DT, the children will have the opportunity to design and make their own lunch box.

Science

Over the next term, the children will be developing their knowledge on 'Everyday Materials'. They will learn the names of materials, identify and test their properties and take part in investigations to put different materials to the test.

ICT

Spring 1

Music

The children will continue to learn a range of music elements through Charanga. The children will learn about singing and playing together in an ensemble. As well as learning to sing, play, improvise and compose with this song, they will also listen and appraise famous songs.

Spring 1

In The Groove is a song that was specially written to teach children about different styles of music. It has been arranged in six different styles; Blues, Baroque, Latin, Bhangra, Folk and Funk. Each week the children will listen and learn a different style of In The Groove.

Spring 2

This unit focuses on building on previous learning. All the learning is focused around one song: Round And Round, a Bossa Nova Latin style.

PSHE

In this unit, Year 1 will be discussing their dreams and goals. They will learn how to set new goals, how to tackle challenges and how to identify and overcome obstacles.

RE

The children will be learning about the Creation Story. They will be encouraged to consider and ask questions about the world today.

PE Days

Please ensure children attend school on their PE day wearing their PE kit.

1AL – Monday

1SH – Thursday

Thank you for your continued support from the KS1 team.

Miss Lago: Class Teacher
Miss Harrison: Class Teacher
Miss Patel: Teaching Assistant
Miss Afzal: Teaching Assistant
Miss Garner: 1:1 support

They will complete numbers to 50 and move onto measurement – length and height

This term, the unit of work is all about Algorithms. The children will begin to create their own algorithms.

Spring 2

This term, the unit of work is all about Animation. The children will learn how to add animations to a story.