

AUTUMN

YEAR 1

English Reading

The Year 1 children will have access to a range of books in our class library.

The children will be introduced to longer texts containing chapters.

English Writing

This term we begin with genre from 'Drawing Club.' This writing adventure will enrich imagination and language skills, develop their fine motor skills and excite the children into a love of writing. We will have a big focus on writing in sentences with a capital letter and full stop and also on letter formation.

Alongside Drawing club we will be looking at 'Sea Songs' poetry and a poem called 'There's no such thing as monsters'.



Maths

The first half of the Autumn term in Year 1 is all about introducing the children to our maths scheme 'Maths No Problem'. We begin deepening our understanding of 'counting to 10', counting, writing, comparing and ordering these numbers.

Then during the second half term we will look at addition and subtraction, numbers to 20 and then moving on to positional language, shapes and patterns. With each unit the children are being introduced to a mathematical concept through an enquiry question which they then journal their answer to show what their understanding is, before moving on to the workbook.



Science

Animals Including Humans

The Autumn Term brings a focus on 'Animals including Humans'. We will firstly look at the human body and then identify and name a variety of common animals including fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals. We will also identify and name a variety of common animals that are carnivores, herbivores and omnivores.



RE

Christianity

This half term we will be looking at 'Christianity'. Firstly, we will be answering the question 'Why do Christians say that God is a 'Father'?' We will explore Christian use of the word 'Father' and consider the importance of prayer in Christian life.

Then we will be exploring 'why Jesus is special to Christians.' We will explore the Christmas nativity story and gain an understanding of why Jesus is believed to be a special baby.



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Physical Education

This half term we will focus on netball and dodgeball.

Both sports will involve lots of catching and throwing and moving around safely in a limited space.



History

Toys and Technology

This year starts off with a history unit on 'Toys and Technology'. We will learn how toys and technology in the home have changed since 1950 and the impact on our lives. We will look at what technology we use in our homes today and compare it to the olden days.

Their learning will be based around these two questions:

How has technology in the home changed since 1950?

Have these changes impacted upon your life today?



Geography

What is it like here?

Our Geography based. 'The United Kingdom' teaches the children which countries make up the UK. They will learn to locate the UK on a globe and simple World map. They will also learn the names of the 7 continents of the World. We will then compare London with where we live.



RSE

My healthy self:

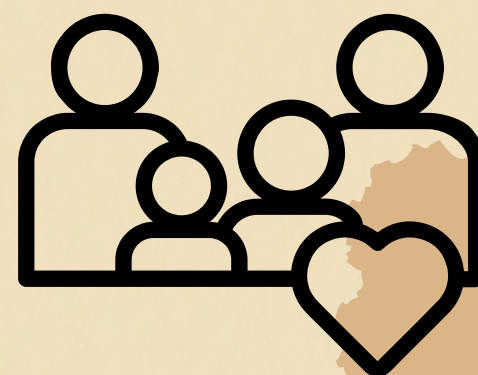
How can we look after our emotions?

Our first RSE topic is all about recognising and naming our emotions. The children will learn to identify facial and body clues linking to feelings. We will explore what helps us feel calm and happy, understand the importance of rest and enjoyable activities, and practise simple strategies for managing different emotions.

Connecting with others:

How can I help myself and others feel happy and safe?

In our next topic we will be identifying what makes us and others special, we will learn how friends, family and classmates can support each other. We will explore how respect is shown through behaviour in different situations.



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Music

Move to the beat- Exploring pulse and rhythm

This term, the children will learn to recognize pulse, matching movements to music. They will explore percussion instruments and perform simple instrumental accompaniments to familiar songs.

The children will progress to copying and creating simple rhythm patterns, eventually using simple graphic notations to represent these sounds. Throughout the term, they will be introduced to a range of music and create simple choreography for music such as Radetzky March by Strauss and Mattachins by Peter Warlock, as well as learning about different dance traditions such as South African Gumboot Dancing and North Indian Kathak Dance.

Art and Design

Drawing- 'Exploring line and shape'

This term the children will be looking at Drawing- 'Exploring line and shape' We will focus on working and experimenting with different materials through observational and collaborative pieces inspired by artists. We will be using shapes, lines and colour to create our artwork.

This term's artist.. Brianna McCarthy



Design Technology

Textiles

This term our first unit is 'Textiles' and we will be making a puppet. We will explore different ways of joining fabrics before creating our own hand puppets. Throughout the DT lessons we will develop their technical skills of cutting, gluing, stapling and pinning.



Computing

Online Safety and Programming Beebots

This term we will be exploring 'Online safety' including using useful tips to stay safe when online; how to manage feelings and emotions when someone or something has upset us online; learning about the responsibility we have as a digital user.

The children will then be introduced to 'Programming', where we will be programming Bee-bots by giving clear instructions and explaining how they work.

