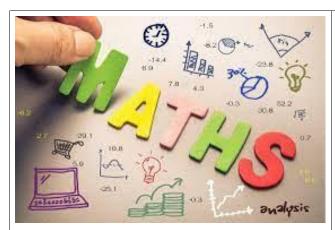
Welcome to Year 1!

The team working with the lovely children in Year 1 this year are Mrs Bond, Miss Wright, Miss Bracher, Miss Stokes, Mrs Bailey and Mr Morgan.

In Year 1, this half term we shall be covering...





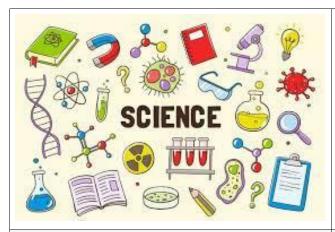
In Maths, this half term we'll be covering place value within 0-50. We will be counting forwards and backwards from 0-50. We will represent numbers in a variety of ways, using a range of concrete and visual resources. The children will compare numbers using the mathematical language of one more/greater/less than and equals. We will begin to count in 2s and 5s to 50 and beyond, using number squares and number lines to support our learning. Towards the end of the term, we will explore capacity and measure length in standard and non-standard units.

This half term in English, we'll be exploring a number of texts types including a non-chronological report, linked to our science topic of animals. We will continue to practice our handwriting every day and form lower case letters correctly, starting and finishing in the right place.

Within these texts types, we'll be learning a range of grammatical devices, including prefixes and suffixes. We will continue to punctuate our sentences correctly and begin to use exclamation marks and questions marks within our writing.

In Shared Reading, we will continue to explore key vocabulary and discuss the meaning of words whilst making links to new meanings. We will practise re-telling stories and discuss the significance of the title and events. We will also be participating in discussions about what we have been reading. We will be looking at the following books; The Elephant and the Bad Baby and The Adventures of the Dish and the Spoon.

The children will continue with Read Write Inc and their new groups will be shared at the start of half term. Please look at the parent guide to know what your child will be learning in RWI.



This half term in Science, we will continue to explore the topic of animals including humans.

We will identify, name and group animals that are herbivores, carnivores, and omnivores. We will investigate animals that live in our environment by completing field work around our local area.



This half term we are studying Geography.

Within this area of study, our children will learn all about the local area. We will learn about the role of a geographer and build up knowledge about the local area by going out and exploring. We will identify human and physical features and learn how a compass can help us with directions. We will also be going on a field trip around our local area and learn how to record data related to it.



This half term in music we will continue our Trip around the world and we will learn about the pentatonic scale. We will sing and play songs from around the world, in particular the Far East. We can't wait to listen to more high-quality recordings and to perform as an ensemble using percussion instruments.

This half term, in Design Technology we will be focusing on textiles. We will be creating our own placemat using weaving. We will be planning and designing our placemat before making it.



At Forest School this half term, Year 1 will be planting beans and vegetables. They will be conducting a wildflower survey and identifying different types of flowers, trees and plants. They will be learning about butterflies and bees and will also take part in the Great Big School Clean by collecting a bag of litter each, from our school grounds.



This term we'll be delving into a number of religions including Islam and Christianity. We will also be making links to the Easter story.

Within these religions, we'll be exploring the themes of being courageous, confident and loyal.

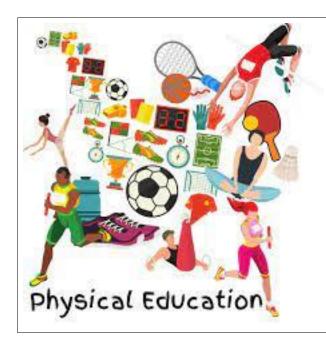


Within PSHE we've focused on regulating our emotions as part of the introduction to our new school behaviour policy.

In addition to this, we'll be exploring what 'being healthy' means and learning how we can stay fit by making good choices.



This half term, the children will be introduced to Coding through Scratch Jr. animations. ng and will begin to code, sequence and solve problems by debugging.



In PE, our focus will be on gymnastics and yoga.

In gymnastics we will use our bodies to create wide, narrow and curled rolling and balancing.

In yoga we will be practising a range of poses from jungle creatures. These will include bending, stretching and reaching using controlled breathing patterns. We will focus on the importance of being quiet when focusing on our yoga movements.