



Owston Park Primary Academy

Year 1 Summer Newsletter

This term our topic is: Trains, Planes and Automobiles



English

In English this term we will be focusing on the texts The Lion Inside by Rachel Bright and Jim Field and The Curious Case of the Missing Mammoth by Ellie Hattie:



We will be building on your children's writing skills by developing the skills below by:

- Adding suffixes where no change is needed to the root word e.g. -ed, -ing, -er, -ed.*
- Using prefix un-.*
- Joining words and clauses using and.*
- Punctuating sentences using capital letters, full stops, question marks and exclamation marks.*

English takes place 4 times a week, alongside an oracy lesson and 3 reading lessons.

RWI

Your children will continue to learn new sounds and apply them in their reading and writing through the Read, Write, Inc. Phonics scheme, which takes place 5 times a week.



Key Dates

See Dojo for the summer term key dates as there is lots to look forward to!



ClassDojo

Remember to check Class Dojo for updates!



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Maths

In Y1 Maths takes place 4 times a week alongside sessions of Numbots and arithmetic.

During the summer term we will cover:

- Addition and subtraction within 100.*
- Money.*
- Multiplication and Division.*
- Capacity and Volume.*



Maths Meeting

Maths Meetings take place 4 times a week for 10-15 minutes, alongside the children's Maths lessons. During these sessions children recap key aspects of number and shape, space and measure so key knowledge and skills are embedded in children's memories.



Science

In Science this term we are learning about materials. We will be looking at what different objects within our environment are made from.

Then we will be exploring the properties of these different materials. As part of this we will be building on our classification skills from previous learning.

In order to explore these properties we will be conducting a number of experiments using our scientific skills.

Twice a week we have our Snappy Science sessions. These are short, face paced sessions to develop the children's scientific vocabulary and working scientifically skills.



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History

In History this term we are looking at how transport has changed over time and why as well as some significant individuals from History.

We will be exploring Amelia Earhart and her flight across the Atlantic Ocean as well as Neil Armstrong and the moon landing. Once the children know who these individuals are and the historical events they are known for we will be exploring their importance in History today.

We will also be looking at some significant figures closer to home! Herbert Nigel Gresley who built the train 'The Mallard' here in Doncaster and Helen Sherman who was the first British woman in space.



Geography

During Geography this term we are naming and locating the 7 continents and 5 oceans of the world on a map. While developing our geographical skills we will also locate the equator then explore how climate and weather change across the world depending on how close to the equator the country is.

Then we are going to focus on Africa; looking at both it's physical and human features. Afterwards we will compare Africa to the UK, looking for similarities and differences.



Computing

In Computing this term we will be focusing on our skills in Information Technology. The children will become familiar with the different icons in paint and Microsoft Word. They will develop their knowledge of what each icon can do and when to use it. The children will then have the chance to use these new skills to create their own piece of digital content. They will also learn how to save any digital content they have created.

E-Safety will continue to be taught through out Online Safety curriculum.



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Art

In Art we will be looking at the colour wheel, constructing our own which we will then use to explore contrasting colours. Using this knowledge we will look at the work of African artist Edward TingaTinga and then create our own artwork.



Design and Technology

Our focus in DT is cooking and nutrition. To start we will be looking at healthy foods and what makes a healthy diet. Afterwards we will look at where different foods come from and how they are grown. Then we will be using our newly learnt technical skills to make fruit kebabs.



Music

In Music this term we will be focusing on composition and musicianship first. The children will be creating their own sound effects and notation then exploring pulse and beat and copycat rhythms. After half term we will be focusing on performing a folk song from Ghana. We will also have the opportunity to play African drums and explore the stories behind the music.

The children will also continue to learn how to play the Glockenspiels, using Charanga.



PSHE and Life Skills Builder



In PSHE we are looking at how to be mentally and physically healthy and how to look after our own wellbeing. Then as part of transition to Y2 we will be looking at how we grow and change.

In Life Skills we will be problem solving and working as a team as well as taking a look at budgeting. We will then try some foods we haven't tried before which links closely with our DT focus.