Year 1

Autumn 1: Curriculum Overview

Our Values

These are our school values and each half-term we focus on a different value. We are starting with 'Respect'. Please let us know if you see your child demonstrating any of these values at home. This will support your child's understanding of what values are and also give us a chance to celebrate.

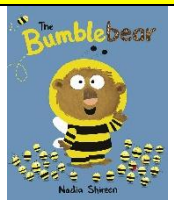


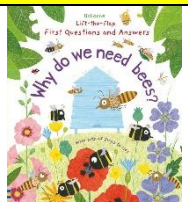
Geography- Our place



Our whole school topic is 'Our Place'. In year 1 we will be looking at 'Our School'. We will look at aerial photographs and identify human and physical features such as the woodland and the playground. We will devise simple maps of our school and construct basic symbols for a key. We will also use 4 point compass directions to describe the location of features and routes around the school. This learning will based around the book the Naughty Bus by Jan and Jerry Oke.

English





Our focus for English throughout the term will be on fiction and non-fiction texts. We will look at the descriptive language used, making a day-to-day diary and a fact card about bees.

In phonics, we will recap knowledge of the initial code that was taught in reception as well as moving on to the extended code. This will include looking at two letters that make one sound such as ai or ay.

We will be using our Letterjoin scheme to work on upper- and lower-case letters to make sure that they are in the correct orientation.

In guided reading, we will teach the children strategies to support their reading beyond those of phonics. We will also be encouraging the children to listen to their own reading to see if they can self-correct and spot errors as they read.

Maths

We will start with place value, ensuring that all children have a good grasp of the numbers to 20. We will then move on to addition and subtraction and look how these are linked by focusing on number bonds. Later in the half term we will explore 2D and 3D shapes and be able to identify them from their properties. We will also be continuing their learning of Mastering Number.

Science

Our science topic for this term is Materials. This is a fun topic which the children will enjoy. We will be looking at the properties of different materials and how that affects how they are used. There will be plenty of experiments to keep us busy!

Other Curriculum Areas

RE – Our focus for RE will be considering 'What does it mean to belong to a faith community?' During this topic, we will be looking at mainly Christianity and Islam.

Art/ DT- Our art topic will be spirals. We will be using drawing, collage and mark marking to explore spirals.

Music – Charanga unit: Hey you! We will be moving to a pulse and singing to a rhythm.

PE – We will be working on net and wall skills and in our second session in the week we will be looking at movement skills.



PSHCE – Introduction to the Zones of Regulation with a focus on mental and emotional wellbeing. (We will explain what this is at our 'Meet the team' information session.

Computing – We will be looking at technology around us and how we can be responsible internet users.

UN Convention of the Rights of the Child

We are proud to be a Rights Respecting Gold School. As the new term begins, each class will design their own class charter. A charter is a visual document that establishes an agreed set of rights-based principles upon which relationships can be based and which provide a language for shared values. This half term, we will be electing our new representatives for our 'Rights Council'.

Our school charter: *Article 2- The convention applies to every child without discrimination, whatever their ethnicity, gender, religion, language, abilities or any other status, whatever they think or say, whatever their family background.*

Article 12- Every child has the right to express their views, feelings and wishes in all matters affecting them, and to have their views considered and taken seriously.

Article 28- Every child has the right to an education.

Article 31- Every child has the right to relax and play.

Important Dates

Meet the team- Tuesday 8th September at 3:45pm or 5pm in the Year 1 classrooms

PE days – Tuesday and Fridays (Please can the children come to school in their PE kits)

Changing reading books- Thursday to be returned to school and sent home on Friday

Inclusion coffee morning- TBC

Dyslexia Awareness Week- WC 28th September

Wear Red Day (show racism the red card) – Friday 16th October

Halloween Disco – Thursday 22nd October

Half Term- school closes on Friday 23rd October and reopens Monday 2nd November