Maths

This half term our lessons will focus on revising and securing children's understanding of numbers to 10. We will count accurately, write numbers in both numerals and words, compare numbers and identify 1 more and 1 less than a given number. Children will then begin to recognise number bonds and add and subtract within ten.

English

This half term we will begin by focusing on developing the fundamental writing skills as children begin to write in sentences, learn to use capital letters and full stops, leave finger spaces between words and check their writing makes sense. We will use engaging stories such as *Superworm* and *Whatever Next* to inspire and guide our writing. Children will begin simple grammar lessons as they learn about nouns. Regular handwriting practice will be important as children will be required to correctly form their letters and write neatly on lines.

Phonics/Reading

We are delighted to be using our Read Write Scheme to deliver our daily phonics/reading sessions. Children will be grouped based their current knowledge and be introduced to new sounds whilst applying the ones they know as they read a decodable book throughout the week. More specific information about our phonics programme will be sent home imminently. In addition to their phonics session, a daily story time will allow children to enjoy reading for pleasure and become immersed in exciting texts.

Science

Our lessons will teach us about animals and humans. We will explore body parts, senses, diets and learn to classify animals in different ways.

History

In our topic 'Childhood' we will look at simple timelines of our own lives and then travel back in time to explore and make comparisons with the life of children in the 1950's.

Geography

Our project 'Our Wonderful World' teaches children about physical and human features, maps, cardinal compass points, and positional and directional language. They learn about the equator, hemispheres and continents and are introduced to the countries and capital cities of the UK.

RE

Children will learn about the key beliefs and celebrations within Hinduism.

Art and Design

Our project 'Mix It! teaches children to identify and mix primary colours to make secondary colours before creating their own designs and patterns using these colours.

DT

'Shade and Shelter' focuses on the purpose of shelters and their materials before children design and build their own play den and finally evaluate their completed result.

Music

Our music sessions this half term will focus on the song 'Hey You'. As well as learning to sing, play, improvise and compose with this song, children will listen and appraise other Old-School Hip Hop tunes.

PSHE

Children will be introduced to their Jigsaw Journals and discuss their Jigsaw Charter. As part of this, they discuss rights and responsibilities, and choices and consequences. The children learn about being special and how to make everyone feel safe in their class as well as recognising their own safety.

PE

Children will take part in a structured PE session each week on **Monday** as well as regular active bursts. Please ensure trainers are in school all week.

Home Learning

Homework

A short homework task is sent home every Friday. This must be completed and returned by the following Wednesday.

Home Reading

At the end of the week, children will be given a new 'book bag book' which correlates to the book they have read in their phonics group throughout the week. Their reading record and book must come to school **DAILY**. It will be returned each night with the exception of Thursday to allow staff to change the book. We encourage children to read at least four times a week for ten minutes at home and will receive a raffle ticket which is drawn weekly as a result.

Spelling

A list of spellings are sent home every Friday. The children will be tested on the words the following Friday. The result of their spelling test can be found in their reading record.

A note from the teacher:

I am delighted to welcome your child into the Year 1 classroom to begin their Key Stage 1 journey! We have lots of exciting things planned and I can't wait to get started. I hope that they enjoy the new challenges and approaches to learning that Year 1 has to offer.

A short presentation will take place next Monday (11th) to give you a lot of key information about the class routines and expectations as well as provide you with the opportunity to ask any questions you may have.

Throughout the year, I will post stories on class dojo with reminders and updates however please don't hesitate to email or call the office if you would like to speak to me.

Thank you for your support,

Miss Hutchinson



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