

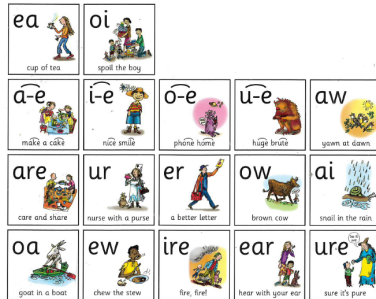
Maths

In maths this half term we will continuously develop fluency of numbers to 20. We will also explore shapes and patterns before looking at measuring length, height and weight. A key aspect of our studies will be to develop the language of measurement. We will move from using visual comparison of objects to using units such as meters and centimetres. Children will be given opportunities to use measuring tools such as a ruler, tape measures and scales to further their understanding.

English

Writing: This half term we will be writing sentences which contain consistent capital letters, finger spaces and full stops. Children will also learn to add adjectives and joining words to improve their written work. They will explore different genres of writing such as a three part story and a report, inspired by engaging texts, in order to develop the skills to produce their own pieces of writing.

Phonics/Reading: We are continuing to use our Read Write Scheme to deliver our daily phonics sessions. We will focus on consolidating our knowledge of set 1 and 2 sounds and applying them into reading and spelling. Children will also be expected to learn to set 3 sounds (below) and apply them within their reading, writing and spelling. There will be daily opportunities for children to enjoy a range of stories and poems during story time.



Science

Our science this half term focuses on materials and exploring their properties. In lessons, children will work to identify and discuss the properties and uses of different everyday materials, identify what they are used for and consider how suitable or unsuitable they are for particular purposes. Children will work scientifically as they classify materials, carry out investigations and record their observations.

Topic

Our next geography topic is Bright Lights, Big City! We will be learning all about England's capital city including its history, transport and famous landmarks. The project teaches children about the physical and human characteristics of the UK. As historians, we will step back in time and discover what happened in the Great Fire of London.

RE

In RE, we will be moving on from our studies in Christianity to learn about Islam. The children will spend time learning about the beliefs, values and key celebrations of this fascinating religion.

DT

Our project 'Taxi' teaches children about axles, wheels and chassis and how they work together to make a vehicle move. We will then make our very own moving Taxi!

Art

Our project 'Funny Faces and Fabulous Features' teaches children about the concept of the portrait and how the collage technique can be used to make a portrait.

Music

Our music sessions this half term will focus on the song 'In the Groove' which includes different styles including blues, Latin, folk and funk. As well as learning to sing, play, improvise and compose with this song, children will listen and appraise other styles of music.

PE

Our PE day is **Monday** and the focus of the sessions will be Invasion Games. PE kits should remain in school all week.

Home

Homework: Homework is set every **Friday**. This must be completed and returned by the following **Wednesday**.

Spelling: Spellings are set every **Friday** and will be based on our current phonics learning. They can be found in the reading record and homework books. The children will be tested on them the following Friday.

Reading: Reading books must come into school **daily**. Children should read at least four times a week for ten minutes at home. This should be recorded in the reading record for me to see.

A Note from the Teacher

Well done to all of the children for a successful first term in Year 1! They have impressed with their hard work and superb behaviour. The last couple of week has been full of Christmas cheer and the children have been very busy preparing for our nativity, making Christmas crafts, sharing elf antics, enjoying a pantomime and so much more!

We wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

As always, I am here to support your child to become the best they can be. If you have any concerns or questions, please don't hesitate to send me a email via admin or request a call.

Miss Hutchinson

Year 1

Curriculum Information
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Bright Lights,
Big City

