Welcome to Year 1



Reading & Phonics

Class Book – We're Going on a Bear Hunt

The children will learn and practise the phonemes from letters and sounds when blending to decode words. In guided reading sessions they will apply what they have learnt in phonic lessons and begin to explore; unfamiliar vocabulary, comprehension skills, the differences between non-fiction and fictional texts and discuss texts. In other reading sessions, we will read the book 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt' then unpick key features of the text and make links to; writing, drama, speaking and listening skills.

Writing

We will be composing both non-fiction and fictional pieces of writing over the next term. This term we will start with learning how to rehearse, write and reread sentences. We will study when to use capital letters, e.g. for days of the week, months of the year, names (of people and places) and the start of a sentence. We will examine when to use of full stops and learn how to spell spelling the common exception words correctly. In handwriting, we will learn how to use of finger spaces, and how to correctly letters of the alphabet.

Maths

In maths, we will be learning about place value of numbers up to 10 then 20. Learning how to correctly form the digits and spell the numbers. The children will explore number problems and explain their understanding through reasoning. They will use addition and subtraction methods using apparatus then begin to learn number facts associated with facts to 10 e.g. 1+1=2, 1+2=3, 2+2=4, 3+2 = 5 etc. They will learn and use vocabulary such as; more, most, greater, less, least, fewer, equal, the same as, add, addition, take away, subtract, altogether.

Homework

This new termly overview is instead of a weekly homework letter. Homework activities will still be set home on a Tuesday and are due back in on a Monday. The children will be tested on their spellings every Tuesday and the results will be put in their homework books so you can see how they have done. Please can you read with your child as much as possible and make it part of your daily/ weekly routines. Encourage your child to read the same book at least 3 times to develop; fluency, increased rapid recall, an understanding of the words and text they have read. The aim of the maths worksheets are for the children to practise through repetition, so they can apply these year 1 curriculum skills in problems and challenges in class. In addition you could also practise; the number facts to 20, counting in 2s, 5s and 10s, writing numbers to 100 as numerals and spelling numbers to 20. On the lined part of the homework book your child can write their own stories or write about their hobbies and interests or keep a diary account of what they have been doing. In topic, you can create a fact book, presentation or project, which tells the class fascinating facts about the seasons.

Topic

Wonderful Weather - Why is the weather so fascinating?

British Value	PSHE Value
Mutual Respect	Showing Appreciation / Showing our values

Visits / events

Visitors - Pugneys Country Park (link to 'Blown Away' by Conrad Burdekin)

History

During history sessions, the children will find out about Guy Fawkes and the events leading to the gunpowder plot in 1605. We will also discuss the importance of Remembrance Day and the significance of the poppy.

Geography

In geography, we will observe and identify weather patterns. We will discuss the difference between natural features and those made by humans. We will compare aerial images, find landmarks, and make our own maps.

Science

In science, the children will learn about the different seasons. We will make comparisons between the different weather conditions and describe how they differ from each other.

RE

This term we are finding out about what it means to belong to a faith community. We will also look at how and why we celebrate special and sacred times.

Computing

During computing lessons, the children will learn how to stay safe using technology. We will learning how to log on, select software and use technology to group and sort information.

Art

In art, we are going to explore using colour, shape and form to create some landscape sketches and paintings. We will find out about Ashley Jackson and study how he uses colour, shape and form to create his pictures.

DT

During the term, the children will create a weather vane. The children will learn how to make and use a pivot to allow the weather vane to rotate and show the direction of the wind.

Music

This term the children will learn and recite songs. They will perform songs as part of a choir. They will follow the pulse of a piece of music and play alongside the tune using untuned musical instruments.

PE

This term we will be using dance to develop their balance, coordination and agility. The children will perform simple routines and perform movements to familiar pieces of music.



Key messages and dates:

Please send in a P.E kit for Monday and Wednesday afternoons.