



## ENGLISH

In the upcoming Autumn term, our Year 1 students will first spend some time practising their handwriting to make sure they know how to form letters correctly. Then they will start to write about what they can see in pictures taken from a selection of different stories. They'll learn how to use capital letters, finger spaces, and full stops to create clear and well-structured sentences.

The children will also have RWI reading lessons every day where they will continue the work started in Reception to learn their sounds, blending them speedily to help them read words and then sentences. As their confidence and fluency improves they will also practise answering questions to show an understanding of what they have read.

## History

This term, Year 1 children will try to answer the question 'Who was the Greatest Explorer?' We will start with living history and the space explorer Sunita Williams before travelling back along our timeline to learn about some famous people who travelled around by camel, ship and even sledge!

## Geography

In Geography, we'll be exploring our local area. The children will learn about their neighbourhood and identify important local features. We'll also take a short trip around the nearby streets to discover our local park and key landmarks around our school.

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## Science

During the first term of Year 1 Science, our young explorers will learn some interesting facts on the topic of "Our Body," finding out about basic anatomy, the five senses, and healthy habits through hands-on activities and interactive games. They will also learn about a variety of "Materials", identifying everyday objects and what they are made of, eg wood and plastic, and learning key terms like soft, hard, and flexible.

## Computing

During Computing lessons, the children will turn into treasure hunters! They'll tackle problem-solving by programming Bee Bots to move in different directions, picking up some useful coding and control skills along the way.

## Music

Year 1 music will get into the cool world of 'Hip-Hop!' as well as Jazz, Rap and Pop. Our young musicians will have a blast learning basic rhythms, movements, and making up their own rhymes.

## RE

First, we will explore "Our Wonderful World," learning about the natural world and how different religions explain how it was created. Then we'll investigate "Why Christians Give Gifts at Christmas," and how this tradition connects to the Christmas story.

## PSHE

Year 1 will dive into the theme "Me In My World," discovering more about their family, community and surroundings. Through fun activities, they'll explore kindness, empathy, and teamwork. They'll also get to share their thoughts and feelings in a friendly and welcoming classroom.

## PE

In PE this Autumn the children will be starting their first Athletics and developing their footwork, balancing, jumping and landing skills through a range of fun games and activities. They will be working to perfect their skills and apply their new learning to some simple competitive game type scenarios. The children will also have a dedicated time each week to work on their physical fitness

## MATHS

In the Autumn term of Year 1 Maths, we will first focus on understanding and mastering the numbers 1-20, learning to read and write them confidently and using them to count forwards and backwards. We will look at ordering numbers as well as saying which numbers are missing from a number line. We will then begin to answer simple addition and subtraction questions, building a solid foundation in basic arithmetic and real-life problem solving. We will do this practically at first using cups and counters, moving to drawing pictures before writing down our calculations.

Additionally, the children will learn about 2D and 3D shapes, eg circles, squares, cubes and pyramids. They will also practise measuring length using rulers as well as learning about the various coins we use when buying things and start to tell the time to the hour.

## Art

This Autumn, in Art, our young artists will have fun experimenting with different kinds of tools and materials, creating a variety of lines, patterns and textures. They will be improving their fine-motor skills while they express themselves on paper in new and exciting ways including using paint and collage to create a bird's-eye view of our classroom and playground.

## DT

In Design and Technology, Year 1 students will enjoy exploring the taste of various fruits and vegetables. They'll have fun creating their own delicious wraps, discovering different ingredients and learning about the importance of healthy eating. It's going to be a mouth-watering adventure into the world of food!