



Year 1



Welcome back after the Christmas break. We hope that you all had an enjoyable holiday and that you have spent much needed quality time with your family. Spring is a busy term full of learning and we will be preparing for the phonics-screening test, which happens in June. Children may receive additional phonics homework in order to practise recognising the 44 phonemes.

Maths

As mathematicians in Year 1, the children will be counting forwards and backwards in ones, fives and tens up to 100. Children will continue recognising place value beyond 20. They will continue to practise adding and subtracting two numbers together including word problems and will continue to practise reciting number bonds. The children will learn doubles to 10 and then 20. They will continue to learn the features of 2D and 3D shapes. The children will continue to look at how to measure length, weight and capacity. We will also reinforce their knowledge of time, o'clock and half past, and understand time vocabulary. We will finally look at multiplication and division.

English

In English, the children will continue writing sentences using capital letters and full stops, and then begin to use question marks and exclamation marks in their writing. Children will learn to use the conjunction 'and' and 'because'. They will learn sentence openers and adjectives to improve their writing. We will also be looking at stories linked to our 'animal adventure' theme and will be encouraging the children to sequence sentences to form short narratives. Over the term children will learn to add the suffixes 'ing' 'er' and 'est' to words and practise using the prefix 'un' to change the meaning of words. We will continue to practise spelling common exception words and spelling the days of the week.

Science

As scientists, children will learn about animals this term. We will be recognising and naming different animals and identifying their diet, care and habitats.

Animal Adventure

This term, we are teaching History, Geography, Design and Technology, Art and Computing through a thematic/topic based approach. We will be using a



variety of animals as our inspiration this term. In History and Geography, we will learn about significant people Charles Darwin and David Attenborough. We will discover their passions, where they grew up and lived. In Art, children will be looking at the work of artists Henry Moore and Steven Brown. They will then create animal artwork using a variety of textures and paint. Later on in the term, children will learn how to create puppets using running stitch. As part of Computing, children will learn how to create their own 2D animations before creating their very own e-book too! There is so much to look forward to this term!

PSHE

Our topic this term is 'Living in the Wider World'. As part of this topic children will learn about keeping safe, looking after money and dealing with their feelings.

P.E

PE will be taught by Soccer 2000.

Religious Education

The children will be learning about special places and books of worship for Christians, Sikhs and Muslims.

MFL

Simple words and phrases in Spanish will be taught on a drip-feed basis, as and when appropriate.