

What are we learning about?

In Literacy, the Key Stage 1 children will be studying Caribbean poetry and be inspired to write their own autobiographical poetry. After that, they will write instructions, particularly recipe writing and finally they will have a go at writing their own fantasy story!

In addition to their phonics study, the Reception children will continue their 'Drawing Club' work. Children love a club, and the 'Drawing Club' harnesses this enthusiasm in a literary manner! The approach essentially uses an exciting book to immerse children into a magic world of tales and story whilst at the same time enriching their language skills, developing their fine motor capabilities and spend time together in a group with their teacher.

In Geography this term, the children will continue their study of the world, its continents and oceans and then refine this area of learning into a focus on the wonderful continent of Africa!

In Science this term, we are exploring materials. We will sort materials and explore rock, wood, metal, plastic, fabric and glass. We will explore the simple processes of melting and freezing and test materials to see if they float or sink. We will record data and try to spot simple patterns.

In Maths, the Reception children will learn about length, height and time before moving onto cementing understanding of numbers 9 and 10. To do so, the children will compare numbers, represent numbers, find one more and one less, start to explore even and odd numbers and the number bonds to 10.

In Maths, the Year One children will focus on 'place value to 20', 'addition and subtraction within 20,' before finally moving on to 'position and direction'. The Year Two children will be working on 'multiplication and division' before moving on to studying the topic of 'money'.

In computing, we will continue learning about digital painting before moving on to programming and moving a robot.

As musicians we will be continuing to learn how to play the ocarina. We will revise how to hold and blow the instrument and learn to play some pieces using several pitches. We will explore long and short sounds. Additionally, we will develop our singing preparing a song for the Spring assembly and learn about the elements of music focussing on Pitch and Dynamics.

As French linguists we will be learning vocabulary for different fruits in French. We will link previous vocabulary exploring colours and numbers. Additionally, we will learn to express what we like and dislike. We will be using our listening, speaking, reading and writing skills alongside singing songs.

Our P.E focus this term will be based around gymnastics. Mrs Mitchell is warming up on the parallel bars as we speak.

In Forest Schools, the children will learn how to tie various knots, build shelters and dens, use tools to create wooden people and animals by whittling and participate in team building games.

In DT the children will be learning about food and nutrition. We will then use all information gathered to create our own recipe for a healthy dessert. Delicious times ahead!

In R.E, the children will be base their learning around the key questions: 'what can we learn from sacred books?' In Reception, the children will base their learning around the key question of: 'which stories are special and why?'

In Personal Development, the Reception children will be exploring being healthy, specifically learning about exercising bodies, physical activity, healthy food, sleep, keeping clean and safety.

In Personal, Social, Health Education, the Key Stage 1 children will be learning about 'Healthy Me'. We will be exploring the following themes: keeping myself healthy, healthier lifestyle choices, keeping clean, being safe, medicine safety/ safety with household items, road safety and linking health and happiness