



Autumn Term

Welcome back after the Summer break. We hope that you have had an enjoyable holiday! This year we are continuing with our exciting, thematic approach to teaching. This allows children to make connections between areas of learning and consolidate skills. All the themes chosen deliver the programmes of study for the National Curriculum. MFL, R.E and Science will be taught discreetly.

Maths

In Year 1 this term, children will continue to build upon their learning from Reception. We will be developing our knowledge of place value, including counting forwards and backwards, identifying the value of numbers, ordering and understanding more or less. Children will solve addition and subtraction calculations using apparatus, pictorial representations and on number lines. In geometry, we will learn about 2D and 3D shapes and describe position and direction.

English

This term English will focus on sentence writing skills linked to our topic on 'Alien Invasion'. Children will be encouraged to use capital letters and full stops as well as question marks and exclamation marks. We will be introducing skills on how to make our sentences more interesting by adding time openers, conjunctions and adjectives. As always, children will be applying their phonetic knowledge to spell new and unfamiliar words. Children will then have the opportunity to apply these skills in a variety of fiction and non-fiction based activities.

Science

In science, children will be learning all about their bodies by naming different body parts and identifying which body part is associated with the five senses. Children will also begin their learning on the four seasons by observing and describing changes throughout the year.

PSHEe

PSHEe will be an important part of our curriculum this year. As well as learning about the school rules and how to be respectful and polite to others, children will also learn about families and friendships and how to keep safe.

MFL

Children will begin to learn simple words and phrases in French which we will use throughout our daily school routine.

Alien Invasion!

Our exciting new topic is starting with a crash! Oh no an alien has landed in our school quad!

We will need to teach our new alien friend all about our local environment in geography, including plans of our classroom, maps of our school and we may even take him on a walk of our local area.



Let's use these plans and maps in computing to show alien how to navigate programmable toys by giving instructions and let's show him how to make pictograms on the computer to represent things we have seen on our walk.

In history, the alien is going to want to know all about how we have changed from when we were born and the differences between now and then. We could help him sort and sequence artefacts too.

In DT, we need to help our alien friend get back home by designing and making a new spaceship for him by using different joining and assembling techniques.

In art, alien will want to learn about using different types of media to create different effects for each of the planets he's visited.

Let's listen to music together and discuss how different songs make us feel or want to move. I'm sure our alien friend will want to hear our lovely singing too!

Religious Education

In R.E, children will talk about experiencing something they cannot see and learn about ways Christians 'see' God. They will also learn about some special stories for Christians and Muslims.

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