

This is what your child will be learning in school. As always, we welcome your support and encourage you to talk and explore some of these with your child at home.

PSHE

This term we look at different relationships. ***Please can your child bring a picture of their family into school.***

Year 1 – Spring 1



Maths

For maths, we will continue to follow the White Rose Maths schemes of learning. The topics that we will be learning about this half-term are place value and addition and subtraction within 20. Concepts will be properly embedded with lots of problem solving challenges.

Ask your child to ‘make’ numbers using a variety of objects! If they make numbers over 10, can they use 10 of the same items and the ‘ones’ as another item? We’d love to see a photo on Dojo!

RE

This half term, we will be learning about places of worship and the features of each place of worship. ***Look at some photos of different places of worship (or if you can, visit a couple!). How are they the same? How are they different?***

Science

This half term, we will be learning to classify animals and learn about their habitats. We will learn about all types of habitats including the animals that live on our focus continent, Antarctica. ***Research about an animal and write some facts about it! We’d love to see it!***

English

This term in English we are reading Rainbow Bear, One Day on the Blue Planet: Antarctica and Little People Big Dreams: Ernest Shackleton.

Our writing will be based upon the above canon books. We will be writing explanation texts, a diary entry, and a narrative. We will be focusing on core writing skills such as punctuation, sentence structure and correct spellings within these genres.

Have you ever written a diary yourself? Perhaps your child can write a diary about their weekend!

Antarctica

History

We will learn about famous explorers Amundsen and Scott who travelled to the South Pole!

Discuss with your child whether you have explored anywhere new in your life!

Art and DT

We will be creating a textured, layered ocean using sewing skills. We will be also creating a moving picture using a slider mechanism.

Computing

This half term we will be introducing the children to algorithms and coding, using a grid and counter method and BeeBots. ***Can you make an algorithm (set of rules) for a toy car to move left or right?***

Phonics

We will continue to work within our phonics groups. ***Please practise spellings and read the floppy copies with your children.***

Music

We will be learning how music is broken down into inter-related dimensions of music. We will be using percussion instruments!

Geography

We will be building on our knowledge of continents from last term, to now learning about the five oceans. We will learn how to locate them on the map and also learn about habitats relative the varying climates.

Can you think of a way to remember the names of the oceans?

PE

Our PE day continues to be Tuesday. We will be covering more ball skills and dance. Please refer to the school uniform policy for the correct school PE kit. Children will get changed at school.

Homework:

Reading - all students are expected to read 4 times a week and ensure it is recorded in planners.
Spellings – New spellings go home every Friday and will be tested on the following Friday.