



Curriculum letter

Year 1

Autumn Term 2016

Welcome to Year 1! This term, we will be covering all areas of the Key Stage 1 curriculum through exciting and engaging cross curricular activities. Our topics will be;

Autumn Term A- Ourselves/Senses

Autumn Term B- Events from the past

In English, children will have the opportunity to write in a variety of styles including; stories, recounts, poetry, fact files, postcards, invitations and conversations. Children will learn to use and understand features of non-fiction texts, and develop comprehension of fiction through stories with familiar settings.

In Maths, we will be investigating number, shape, space and measures and handling data through a variety of activities. Children will be exploring number order and patterns, 2D and 3D shapes, comparing height, feet and hand length, and creating pictograms, bar and tally charts, among other activities.

Topic work

Children will be looking, smelling, tasting, feeling and listening in a range of activities to explore our senses. They will be learning about the UK and continents in Geography and researching famous people and events from History.



In other areas, children will be learning basic computer skills in Computing, such as logging in, using a keyboard and mouse control using paint programs and devices including tablets and BeeBots. Also computer safety and coding will be taught. The children will be using a variety of media to create Art, and in DT they will be looking at healthy eating and making a fruit salad. In PE, development of skills and control will take place in a range of games, gymnastic and dance lessons. In Music, children will explore sounds and duration as well as learning Christmas songs. This term, our RE focus will be on Christianity and Judaism, looking into Harvest, Christmas and Chanukah. During PSHE circle time, children will advance their speaking and listening skills, getting to know each other and the importance of saying 'no' in pressured situations.

Reading books will be sent home at least 3 times a week for you and your child to share. We ask for you to listen to your child read and discuss the text, and comment in the yellow reading record book. There will be rewards in school if they read every day. Please remember that reading books will only be changed if it is evident the book has been shared at home. On other days please log in to Bug Club and work through the books in your virtual book bag.

We look forward to working with you throughout the year to help your child become a happy and confident learner.

Mrs Oakley and Miss Partridge