

MATHS

This term we will focus again on the use of +, - and = signs. We will revise number facts to 10 and consolidate number bonds to 20 as well as use practical apparatus and number lines to solve calculations. The children will answer one step problems, using addition and subtraction and will learn to identify halves and quarters of objects and shapes. In Mathematics we will also compare and measure length and weight and describe position and direction, including $\frac{1}{2}$ turns.

LITERACY

In Phonics we will frequently revise the letters and sounds the children have already covered, then progress at each child's own phase level. Weekly spellings will continue to be sent home to learn, introducing new spelling patterns and learning key words. This term our sentence writing will develop through our work on familiar stories, report writing, instructions and poetry. We will be focusing on the use of punctuation, introducing exclamation marks and question marks.

SCIENCE

Year 1 will begin the Spring term looking at the habitats of animals in the environment, as well as creating homes for insects. We will then progress to learning about types of pets and how to care for them. In the second part of the term we will explore a range of materials, and devise investigations to solve problems including, can you explain why a puddle changes?

HISTORY

This term we will begin by peeking into the doors of the past as we discover the history of homes. We will investigate homes then and now, by looking at the features of a variety of different types of homes. The children will explore a timeline of homes in Britain before taking a closer look at what houses were like in Victorian times. We will finish the term with some exciting practical lessons, becoming historians as we learn about childhood and how it has changed over time.

Year 1 Spring Term Habitats

ART AND DT

To run alongside our History work on 'Homes' Year 1 will become budding architects. We will design, make and evaluate our own model houses.

In art we will be going on a trip around the world as we explore animals from the seven continents and create art to reflect the animals found in each one. We will identify animals, explore patterns, colours and features, and create varied and challenging art work.

GEOGRAPHY

The Spring term will find Year 1 going on a whistle-stop tour of the seven continents of the world with our Geography. We will visit a country on each continent and explore their features, people and landmarks. The children will learn where the seven continents are on a map and undertake a variety of fun activities to help them learn more about each one.

RE

Year 1 continue their focus on Christianity and Judaism, by exploring the question, 'Why do Christians love the stories of Jesus?' We will find out about the life of Jesus and introduce stories about the miracles he performed. The children will read the stories Jesus told (e.g. The Lost Sheep/Lost Coin Luke 15) and learn about his teachings (e.g. Good Samaritan Luke 10).

PE

During this term, we will be developing our striking and fielding skills with a range of equipment. In gymnastics we will work on our ability to perform movements, including balancing, spinning, turning and twisting. Gymnastic equipment will be used to enhance and extend our sequences.