

English

Our focus continues with ensuring confidence using basic writing skills, such as: handwriting, capital letters, finger spaces and full stops. We will continue to encourage the children to make use of their phonics to spell words as well as learning high frequency tricky words. We will further our writing with the use of conjunctions to extend sentences. Our author for this half term is Allan Ahlberg - we will be focusing mainly on his book 'Funny Bones'. We will also link our writing to our science topic of plants; we will write instructions on how to plant a sunflower seed.

Maths

This half term we will explore the concept of multiplication and division – we will be doing lots of counting in 2s, 5s and 10s. We will also look at fractions of a shape, quantity and objects. We will look at halves and quarters. Our final topic this half term will be position and direction.

RE / PSHE

In RE this half term we will be exploring how we can care for the world and how we can keep the world special. We will reflect upon a variety of creation stories.

In PSHE we will be looking at relationships – we will discuss and explore what it means to belong to a family, how we can be a good friend, people who help us and celebrating special relationships.

Curriculum Overview



Year 1
Summer 1



Computing

Our focus in computing this half term is spreadsheets. We will learn how to insert text, colours and images into the cells. Once images are inserted, we will explore how to move and lock those cells. We will make use of the spreadsheets ability to complete calculations for us.

Phonics

The children have worked hard to learn lots of new sounds so far this year. We will now look back at the sounds we have covered to build their confidence in spotting diagraphs, trigraphs and split-diagraphs in words as well as using the graphemes to spell words phonetically. We will also practice reading 'alien words' that include the sounds we are focusing on.

The children will continue to write their own sentences using the sounds we have learnt together to improve their confidence in composing a sentence.

Science

We are learning all about plants in science at school. The children will plant their own sunflower seed and record its growth in their own Sunflower Diary. We will learn the names of some common garden and wild plants, as well as the different parts of plants and their uses. We will learn that there are two types of trees – evergreen and deciduous; we will walk around school to spot different types of trees by looking at the different shapes, sizes and colours of their leaves.

Art

This half-term we will be participating in our whole-school project focused on architecture – we will be exploring different drawing techniques. First, we will look at the different characteristics of Tudor houses, which links to our earlier topic of the Great Fire of London. We will then look at the work of the famous, Antoni Gaudi before creating our own building design, taking inspiration from both the Tudor period and Gaudi.

PE

In PE this half-term we will be practicing our athletic skills, paying particular attention to Sports Day themed athletics.