

English

Throughout the course of this half-term, we will continue to focus on forming our sentences correctly, remembering to use capital letters, finger spaces, full stops and using our phonics to sound out unknown words. We will also continue looking at nouns, verbs as well as using adjectives to make our writing more interesting.

Music

In music this half term, we will begin to learn how to play an ocarina. We will be learning to play some notes on it and will begin to read oc-pix (a tablature used for ocarina music). We will be playing some simple tunes on our ocarinas and learn how to perform in unison with others. We will also be learning about rhythms and will be listening to different types of dance music from around the World:- Bhangra, Disco, Irish Dancing, Samba.

History

In history this half term we will be exploring the Great Fire of London. We will be learning about how we know so much about the past as well as gaining an understanding of the sequence of events that encompassed the Great Fire. We will investigate why the fire began and spread so rapidly. Our creation of Tudor houses in DT will aid our understanding of the fire. We are going to look at the difference between how we tackle fires now – learning about the fire brigade - to the methods they used in 1666. We will compare how our lives are different to the lives of those living in London during the Great Fire.

Maths

This half term we will be exploring addition and subtraction strategies. The children will make use of concrete objects to solve addition and subtraction number sentences.

We will recap what the children learnt in foundation about 2D shapes and extend their understanding of 3D shapes and their properties.

We continue to challenge children to use their reasoning and problem-solving skills using materials to help them.

Curriculum Overview



Year 1
Autumn 2

PSHCE

In PSHCE this half-term we will be looking at celebrating differences. We will understand the importance of accepting that everybody is different, the importance of including others when playing or working and the importance of using kind words. We will also look at bullying and how to solve problems relating to this subject.

RE

In RE this half-term we will be looking at what makes us special. We will look at both Christian and Jewish naming ceremonies. We will also look at how Christian families prepare for Christmas.

Science

This half-term we will be looking at seasonal changes. We will go on seasonal walks around our school environment, looking at the trees and how these change over Autumn and Winter and recording the weather.

We will discuss the appropriate clothing to wear in Autumn and Winter. We will also discuss the hours of daylight we experience in Autumn and Winter.

Computing

We will begin to learn about coding this half term, starting with unplugged activities. We will then use Scratch Junior to modify existing code, begging to understand the function of different code blocks. This will allow us to transfer our language and understanding to create our own project bringing together our learning.

Phonics

We will begin the half term by continuing to learn new sounds and continue to work hard on our segmenting and blending skills. Once we have learned all of the sounds, we will explore the different ways to make each sound with the aid of books that we will read during the sessions.

PE

In our first PE lessons we will be exploring gymnastics, paying close attention to how we can use different body parts to create wide, narrow and curled shapes. For our second PE lessons will be exploring skills and techniques associated with balls. We will explore how to use our hands effectively when handling different types of balls. We will look at sending and receiving skills, aiming with accuracy, power and speed when sending a ball and how to stop a ball.