

YEAR 1 SPRING 2 OVERVIEW

What will your children be learning in the spring term!



ENGLISH

This term, Year 1 will dive into exciting storytelling and factual writing. Children will explore *The Story of Pirate Tom*, using the text to inspire imaginative narrative work and develop their descriptive skills. They will also create a non-fiction fact file about the explorer Ernest Shackleton, learning how to organise information clearly and write with accuracy and purpose.



MATHS

This term, Year 1 will focus on Place Value (within 50), building confidence in counting, ordering and comparing numbers using practical resources. Children will also explore Length and Height and Mass and Volume, using hands-on measurement activities to compare and describe different quantities while developing key mathematical vocabulary.



PHONICS

Year 1 will explore a wide range of phonics patterns, including /ur/, /oo/, /air/, /or/, /ch/, and /ar/ spellings, as well as schwa sounds in longer words. Children will learn alternative graphemes, tricky spellings, and apply these patterns in reading and writing across the term.



SCIENCE

Year 1 will continue observing Seasonal Changes, exploring how weather, daylight and the environment vary across the year. In *Animals Including Humans*, children will learn about body parts, the five senses, and what humans and animals need to survive, developing key scientific vocabulary through hands-on investigation and discussion.



D&T

Year 1 will explore simple textile techniques by learning different ways to join fabrics. Children will develop skills in cutting, gluing, stapling and pinning before designing and making their own hand puppets inspired by characters from a well-known fairytale.



MUSIC

Year 1 will explore pulse, rhythm and pitch through a variety of musical styles. Children will listen, sing and perform, developing their sense of steady beat and musical pattern while experimenting with instruments and movement to respond creatively to different pieces of music.



HISTORY

Year 1 will learn about some of the world's greatest explorers, discovering who they were, where they travelled and why their journeys were significant. Children will compare different explorers, explore their achievements and develop an understanding of how exploration has shaped the world.



RE

Year 1 will explore how faith and belief influence the way Muslims live their daily lives. Through the theme *Being Human*, children will learn about Islamic values, kindness, responsibility and community, and how these beliefs guide choices, behaviour and relationships.

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PSHE

Year 1 will learn how to stay safe and healthy by exploring exercise, hygiene, healthy eating and emotional wellbeing. Children will discuss safe choices, recognise how their bodies feel, and understand simple ways to look after themselves and keep others safe.



COMPUTING

Year 1 will learn how to stay safe online by recognising and responding to bullying and knowing who to talk to. They will also develop digital imagery skills, taking and editing photos to create and sequence pictures for an adventure story.



PE

Year 1 will develop fundamental movement skills through activities that involve hitting, catching and running. Children will practise coordination, control and teamwork while learning how to use equipment safely and apply these skills in simple games and challenges.