

Year 1/2 Curriculum- Autumn 1

HISTORY

How has the world around me changed? In History this term we will be looking close to home, at our own history! We will be finding out about different ways to record the key milestones in our lives so far.

MUSIC

The term begins with looking at exploring sounds we can hear around us. There will be lots of opportunities for singing and playing games like 'Chase the sound' to help us learn about pitch and dynamics. All children will also be learning how to play a tuned instrument called an ocarina.

SCIENCE

In Science this term, we will be exploring all things light and dark. We will begin our unit by looking at light and dark places and comparing the differences between the two. We will then be looking at light sources and where these can be found. The children will then investigate how shadows are found and will create their own shadow puppets. We will end our unit by making simple circuits and diagnosing faults within these.

ART

In Art this term, we will be exploring the wonderful technique of block printing. The children will design, make and print using their own blocks to create a picture scene for their own written stories.

COMPUTING

In this unit, we will be developing our understanding of technology and how it can help us in everyday life. We will become familiar with components of a computer by developing our keyboard and mouse skills. We will also consider how to use technology responsibly.

Storyland

ENGLISH

The term will begin by exploring three picture books by Arron Becker. The first of the trilogy, Journey takes the children on an exciting adventure where they will explore the structure of a story with many problems. The next book, Quest, invites children to use their imagination to predict how the adventure will unfold.

We are also going to be welcoming in a storyteller who will talk about the history of storytelling, as well as inviting children into the magical world of telling a story themselves.

CHARACTER EDUCATION

This term we will be looking at how we can be caring individuals by looking after others, our families and our friends. We will then be looking at people that help us and learn to work co-operatively with one another.

DESIGN TECHNOLOGY

In DT, we will be working closely with our unit of 'light and dark' in Science to create our own shadow puppets. We shall look at how shadows are formed and then design our own puppets, make them and eventually create our own theatre performance!

MATHS

This term's focus is on place value. The children will explore different representations of number, learn how to order and compare numbers, as well as how to write each number as a word.

P.E.

This term we will be working on fundamental skills in indoor P.E. and then we will be improving our ball skills in outdoor P.E. This will include throwing and catching skills, balancing, running, changing direction, jumping, hopping and skipping.

RE

In RE, we will be learning about what a parable is and exploring different feelings of characters in the parable - 'The Lost Son'. We will look for hidden meanings and create and illustrate our own hidden meaning box!