

Year 1

Autumn term 2

2025

ENGLISH:

This term our focus will be on poetry, learning about Acrostic poems and understanding about rhyming words. Our focus text will be another traditional tale; Goldilocks and The Three Bears. We will learn the story thoroughly and then use the story to further develop our understanding of sentence structure. Alongside this we will continue with our daily phonics, reading sessions and handwriting. Our grammar focus will be developing our understanding of capital letters for names and places as well as embedding them in our sentence work.

MATHS:

Our maths this term will begin with work on addition and subtraction. The class will learn to partition numbers, add and subtract, use number bonds and find the difference between numbers. Later in the term, the children will be learning about shape. They will learn to recognise and name 2D and 3D shapes; we will finish this unit of work by creating patterns with 2D and 3D shapes.

RE:

Our RE this term will be discussing what Christmas means to Christians and looking at Christmas traditions and the story of advent. We will be covering journeys, gifts and how God gives his messages.

HISTORY:

The children will learn about how life has changed since their parents, grandparents and great-grandparents were children. They will find out how homes, toys and schools have changed and will learn about key historical events that have taken place in the past 80 years. The children will develop their knowledge of historical concepts and vocabulary and understand how historians find out about the past.

PSHE:

This term's Jigsaw unit is all about celebrating difference. The children will learn about showing respect for similarity and difference and what it means to be unique. We will discuss what bullying is, the importance of kind words and what we can do to help if someone is being bullied.

SCIENCE:

We will spend time at the beginning of term looking at the seasonal changes taking place in Autumn and learning about how the length of day changes. We will then move onto a new unit looking at everyday materials such as wood, glass, metal, plastic etc and their physical properties. We will be investigating floating and sinking, melting and freezing and opaque and transparent.

COMPUTING:

The Year 1 children will be introduced to early programming concepts using the Beebot floor robots. They will learn to programme the Beebots to make them move and predict the outcome of programs.

MUSIC:

This term the children will be learning songs for the Key Stage 1 Christmas performance, where they will perform in the choir.

D&T:

We will be learning about different mechanisms and identify objects that use sliding mechanisms and describe how they move. The children will design and make their own slider mechanism to produce a game and a Christmas card.