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Year 1 and 2 Curriculum Map

Autumn 1

English

Non-fiction: Game Instructions

To begin our year, we will be learning all about instructional writing by playing board games, learning new playground games and designing an online game. Children will learn to identify different sentence types and use imperative verbs to write instructions.

Poetry: Monsters

We will read and enjoy *We're Going to Find a Monster* by Malorie Blackman plus a selection of other poems about monsters. Children will identify rhyme and spelling patterns, imagine and describe their own monster and compare poems.

Maths

Year 1

Place Value

Children will learn to sort, count and group objects, representing numbers, count forwards and backwards in 1s, compare numbers using greater than and less than and order numbers.

Addition and subtraction

Children will learn the part whole model, learn their number bonds and practise adding numbers together

Year 2

Place value

Children will represent numbers up to 100, recognise tens and ones, use place value charts and base 10, compare numbers, order objects and numbers, count in 2s, 5s and 10s, counting in 3s.

Addition and subtraction

Children will learn how to use fact families, their number bonds to 100, how to add and subtract 1s, and practise column addition.

Topic

Our Toys unit will teach the class about popular toys through the 20th century and the early 21st century. Firstly, it asks the children to think about their favourite toy from today before moving on to look at toys which were popular when their parents and grandparents were children. Throughout the unit, the children will develop a range of historical skills such as: asking and answering questions, identifying and interpreting different sources and recognising change and exploring how this influences them today. A range of learning activities are used in this unit which include: drawing discussions, role play and games as well as writing tasks to encourage the children to fully engage in lessons.

Computing

Our Online Safety topic will teach basic online safety and digital literacy skills. In this unit, children learn about the potential dangers in the online world and what basic steps we all need to take in order to have positive digital experiences. The first lesson focuses on why it is important for children to name their creative work. They go on to learn about using a search engine safely to find pictures. Children learn the SMART rules and look at what information should be kept safe when using the Internet. The lessons then explore the positives and potential negatives of online communication, such as email, and children will develop the skills to recognise potential dangers and act accordingly to keep themselves and others safe.

Science

Our 'Seasonal Changes (Autumn and Winter)' unit will teach the class about the four seasons, with a particular focus on autumn and winter. Children will learn what the word weather means and find out how different types of weather can be measured. Children will use a class weather station to observe measure and record the weather across the seasons. They will also observe changes across the seasons by exploring the signs of autumn and winter through nature and wildlife. A range of learning activities are used in this unit including observation, discussion and learning outside. Children also work scientifically by collecting, recording and interpreting simple data.

PE

Our Throwing and Catching unit focuses on developing children's existing throwing and catching skills, while introducing new skills for children to practise and develop. Children will be learning how to roll and stop a ball, and how to throw underarm for accuracy and overarm for distance. In the second half of the unit, children focus on catching objects, both independently and with a partner, and learn the skill of bouncing and catching a ball. The children will gain experience of playing some simple team games, following rules, competing and supporting each other. The final lesson in the unit gives children the opportunity to test their skills in a variety of throwing and catching games and gives them a chance to evaluate how they performed using their skills.

Art and Design

Our Colour Chaos unit will teach the class about choosing, using and mixing their own colours to create quality artwork that shows progression in skills. The children will have the opportunity to explore the life and work of six key abstract artists and, working primarily in paint, to create pieces in a range of abstract styles. Our artists are; Piet Mondrian, Mark Rothko, Paul Klee, Jackson Pollock, Robert and Sonia Delaunay, Wassily Kandinsky.

PSHE

Our British Values unit is inspired by the idea that individuals can have a positive impact on groups and communities to which they belong. It aims to enable the children to identify that they belong to various groups and communities and ways in which they contribute positively to these. In this unit, children learn about community, being good neighbours and looking after the environment. They will also learn about Britain, what it means to be British, about diversity and the importance of celebrating and being respectful of our differences.

Additional Information

Reading

Please try to read with your child every single day. Just 15 minutes a day has proven to greatly improve a child's fluency and understanding.

Children need their reading book and reading record in every day. They will read a minimum of twice per week and have their books changed regularly.

Homework

Homework will be sent home every Friday and is due in school the following Friday.

For Year 1 it shall consist of spellings and one other piece of work.

For Year 2 it shall consist of spellings, maths and English.

PE

Our school PE day is **Wednesday**. Please ensure children come to school dressed in their PE uniforms and a sensible pair of trainers.

Key Dates

Monday 11th September

Our Values Week

Friday 15th September

Day of Democracy- newly elected school councils and Head Pupil announced

Friday 29th September

Book fair arrives

Macmillan cake sale- 3:30pm

Friday 6th October

Book fair leaves

Monday 9th October

Harvest week

Friday 13th October

Harvest Collection and Harvest Assembly
Break up for Half term