

Year 1 and 2 Curriculum Map

Autumn 2

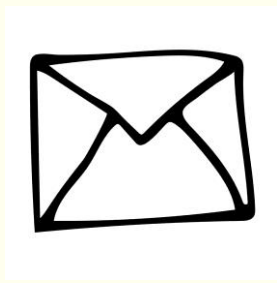


English

In English this half term we will be focusing on poetry and non-fiction texts.

We will begin by exploring the wonderful nonsense poetry of Edward Lear. The children will create noun phrases to write about characters and settings from the poems. They will also plan, draft and write a story sequel to the Owl and the Pussycat.

The children will then enjoy reading letters and postcards in different texts. They will be learning about different sentence types and will learn how to add adjectives, adverbs and prepositions to enhance descriptive writing. Children will write letters and postcards for a range of purposes.



Maths

Year One

Addition and subtraction

Children will learn to add and subtract using a number line.

Geometry - Shape

Children will learn to recognise, name and sort 2-D and 3-D shapes. Children will also complete patterns with 2-D and 3-D shapes.

Year Two

Addition and Subtraction

Children will learn how to subtract two 2-digit numbers, complete Mixed addition and subtraction, compare number sentences and complete missing number problems.

Geometry - Shape

Children will learn to identify and describe the properties of 2D and 3D shapes. Children will compare and sort common 2D and 3D shapes and everyday objects. They will also learn to identify 2D shapes on the surface of 3D shapes.

Science

Seasonal Changes – Autumn and Winter

By the end of the unit children will be able to describe the changes seen between seasons and identify signs of autumn and winter, including what things found in nature are related to each season. They will be able to describe the weather associated with autumn and with winter and describe the ways that animals survive the winter and name some of the animals that may need to hibernate, migrate or adapt. Children will have learnt how to answer a scientific question by making careful observations and correctly using simple equipment to help them observe the weather. Children will be able to explain the differences between the four seasons, giving examples of things from each season.



Topic

History

This half term our History unit is 'The Gunpowder Plot'. The children will increase their awareness of the past by finding out about Guy Fawkes and other significant individuals involved in the plot, such as Robert Catesby and Thomas Percy. They will deepen their understanding of the events of the Gunpowder Plot through several speaking and listening activities, such as hot seating and role play, as well as sequencing events and designing posters. Children will also learn about how bonfire night has been celebrated in Britain since the 1930s to consolidate their knowledge of changes within living memory.

Computing

Computing Skills

In this unit about Computing Skills, children will learn the basic computer skills required to be able to use a PC device successfully. They will begin by exploring the different parts of a PC device, focusing particularly on a desktop computer and laptop. Children will be taught how to switch on and shut down a PC device. Children will also learn about the main keys on a keyboard and use an application to explore their functions. Children will be taught how to use their mouse, trackpad and keyboard skills to log on to and log off from a PC device. They will also apply these skills in the following ways: to launch an application; to adjust the window; to save, find and open a file in a folder.

RE

Gifts and Giving

This 'Gifts and Giving' unit will encourage the class to think about different types of gifts we can give and why giving is important. It will also teach the children about the Christian celebration Christmas and the Islamic festival Eid Al-Fitr. Children will learn why Christmas is important to many Christians and why Eid Al-Fitr is important to many Muslims. Children will learn how they are both celebrated and will then go on to explore the importance of giving and gifts in both celebrations.



PE

Our PE unit this half term is 'Salute to the Sun'. By the end of the unit the children will have learnt a yoga sequence which will comprise of a full range of movements and incorporate forward bends, backbends, inversions, twists and balances. Each week, children will develop the sequence and refine their movements. As the unit progresses, children will expand their range of yoga poses and how they transition between them. Children will then, with support, work with a partner to create their own sequence and lead yoga poses.



Design and Technology

This half term we will be learning all about moving pictures in our unit 'Moving Traditional Tale Pictures'. This unit gives the children opportunities to develop their understanding of mechanisms. Children listen to and role play different Traditional Tales and then learn how sections of the stories can be made into a moving picture. Following instructions on how to make different types of mechanisms, such as levers, wheels and sliders, gives children experience and information to draw on when developing their own ideas. They sketch a design based on their ideas and then create their moving picture centred on the story of 'The Three Billy Goats Gruff.' Children will evaluate their finished product.

PSHE

This half term in PSHE our unit is 'It's My Body'. In this unit we will explore choices that children can make about looking after their bodies. The lessons look at key areas where children can make safer choices: their body, sleep and exercise, diet, cleanliness and substances. Children will learn facts about each of these areas and learn strategies to manage them. The message of choice and consent runs through the unit and children are encouraged to get help from trusted adults when necessary.

PE

Key Stage One PE day is Monday. Please ensure children come to school dressed in their PE kit and trainers (preferably Velcro if they cannot do their own laces).



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 have a set reading day to read and change their book.

Homework

Homework will be sent home every Friday and is due in school on Wednesdays.

Key Dates

Monday 4th November

Return to school

Tuesday 5th November

Clubs begin

Friday 8th November

School photographer 9am

Monday 11th November

Remembrance Day

Monday 11th November

Parents Meeting Week

Friday 15th November

Children in Need

Saturday 7th December

Christmas Fair

Monday 9th December

Greater Manchester Fire Service Visit

Wednesday 11th December

Infant Nativity 2pm

Thursday 12th December

Junior Christmas Production 2pm

Monday 16th December

Pantomime 1pm

Thursday 19th December

School Closes for Christmas 12 noon