Life in All its Fullness - Come and See



Year 1

Summer 2023 Newsletter



Welcome back to the Summer Term. We hope that you had a restful Easter break. We are looking forward to getting back together again!

Outlined below are the topics that will be covered in the Summer term of Year 1.

Maths

We are starting to understand the beginning stages of multiplication and division by repeated addition and sharing into groups. We will also cover telling the time (o'clock and half past). In the second half of term, we will look at understanding fractions by sharing into groups, recapping numbers to 20 and finally, estimating, ordering and comparing numbers to 100.



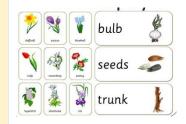


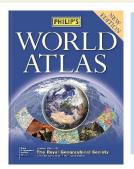
English

The children will be performing poetry and writing a chorus. We will be using the story The Monkeys and The Hats to inspire our story writing. The second poetry module will centre around 'Purple Is...'. Finally, Year 1 will engage with non-fiction writing like Instructions (inspired by How to Wash your Mammoth) and Letter Writing.

Science

As part of looking at God's wonderful world we will be starting our summer term topic, Plants. We will explore and investigate different plants and seeds, as well as the processes involved in how plants grow. In Spring 2, we will round off our look at seasonal changes as we investigate the changes from Spring to Summer, including looking at migration of animals.





History/Geography

In Summer 1, our history topic is Medicine and Health. We will focus on significant individuals, such as Mary Seacole and Edith Cavell and their amazing contributions and attitudes towards their roles as nurses. In Summer 2, the children will be working on their map skills, understanding different perspectives such as aerial views and how to read an atlas.

Relationships and Health Education (Jigsaw)

In Year 1, we will be looking at 'Relationships' where children will discuss and understand their relationships with friends and family. In the second half of term, we will explore the topic 'Changing Me' and how we have changed since being a baby.



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R.E.

In R.E. we will be exploring Christian Celebrations by answering 'How does celebrating Pentecost remind Christians that God is always with them?'. Our second term's question is 'Why do Jewish families say so many prayers and blessings?'. The class will be working towards understanding and answering these questions.

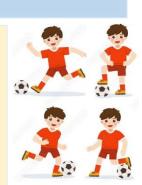


Art and D.T.

Year 1 alternate Art and D.T. each term. We are learning about drawing and form. We will explore a range of different drawing skills and investigate a variety of tools and materials. In D.T. we will explore fruit and vegetables by learning how to prepare them safely.

PE

The children will have PE on **Thurday** and **Friday** every week. Please ensure that children come to school in their PE kits on those days. We will begin by preparing for Sports Day and cover topics like 'Jumping'. Please ensure your child has a named jumper and either leggings or jogging bottoms as we may be outside for our lessons.





Computing

Children will continue to explore how to use a keyboard and the Purple Mash login system. We will focus on Coding, how to create spreadsheets and finish the year with knowing how to safely use technology outside of school.

Music

Using our music scheme, Charanga, our module is 'Your Imagination' followed by 'Reflect, Rewind and Replay' in the second half of term.



Further information:

Reading: We wish to encourage the children to do as much reading as possible and appreciate your support in this by listening to them on a daily basis. Your child will be able to independently change their book once they have finished it. Reading a book more than once has many benefits and actually aids fluency so please do not be afraid to do this. Please record what they have read in their reading records, detailing page numbers where appropriate.

Homework tasks will be set via **Microsoft Teams** on a weekly basis. The maths task will help to consolidate their learning from that week. This may be a formal or practical task. Phonic flashcards will also be sent home. In line with our homework policy, the expectation is that Key stage 1 children spend 10-20 minutes each day on home learning (to include reading).

Healthy snacks will be provided for the children daily so bringing in snacks from home is not necessary. Please remember a named water bottle.

We are really looking forward to another fabulous term, with lots of new learning and experiences for the children, celebrating life in all its fullness.

Miss Springbett, Mrs Miller and Mrs Porter