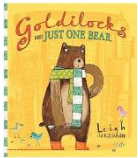


Year 1 Curriculum Newsletter

Literacy

At the beginning of this half-term, we will be focusing on preparing the children for the Year 1 phonics screening check. We will be completing lots of fun phonics activities and practising all the sounds the children have been taught.

This half-term our focus texts for literacy will be 'Goldilocks and just one bear' by Leigh Hodgkinson. As part of this unit the children will learn all about bears and at the end will create a Non chronological report about bears using as much detail as possible.



Dates for your diary . . .

Class Photos – 2nd June

Phonics Screening Week – Wb 8th June

Day 100- superhero dress up- 26th June

Afterschool summer beach party- 14th July

Summer 2

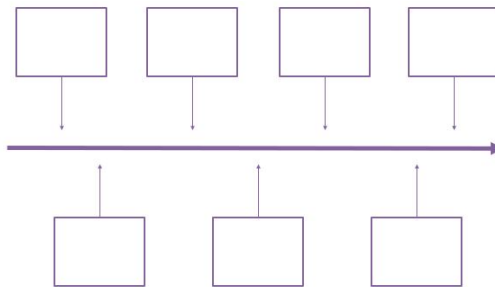


Last day of term:

Friday 17th July

History

Our history topic for this half-term is *What Is Our History?* We will learn about significant events and periods in history and develop an understanding of what makes them important. We will then go on to explore timelines within this context. Children will gain a deeper understanding of chronology through these activities.



Mathematics

This half-term we will begin our unit on money. We will practise making different amounts using both coins and notes and learn how to find change.

We will then focus on mass, capacity and temperature. We will measure and learn about the different units we use. The children will learn how to compare and finally, how to use the four operations with measures.

The final unit this year is on position and direction. We will practise using the correct vocabulary to describe position, movement and turns.

PSHE

This half-term our Jigsaw topic is 'Changing Me'. The children will be learning that everyone is unique and special, and that people express how they feel in different ways. They will be learning to understand and respect change and know who to ask for help if they are worried about change.

The children will be encouraged to talk about how they feel about moving into Year 2. They will share what they are looking forward to doing and any worries they might have.

At the end of the unit, we will celebrate all our learning this year.



Art

All children are artists! During this half-term, your child will be exploring sculpture and 3D art. They will learn how to roll and shape paper in different ways to create 3D forms, and will attach their work securely to a base. Children will make thoughtful choices about how they arrange and combine colours, shapes, and patterns to create interesting effects.

They will also experiment with overlapping and layering to add detail and depth to their work. Working collaboratively, they will design and create a "Tree of Life" sculpture, using a range of paper-shaping techniques to bring their ideas to life.

Science

This half term we will finish our learning about the seasons. We have already completed Autumn, Winter and Spring walks and now we will go outside into the school grounds and look for signs of summer. The children will measure the temperature and make mind maps of everything they know about the season before recapping and consolidating all four seasons.



Music

Our theme this half term is called 'Reflect, Rewind and Replay'. Our music lessons will revisit some of the songs we have learnt throughout the year as well as introduce some new songs. We will also continue to build on our instrumental skills by learning a new piece on the glockenspiels.

Religious Education

During this half-term our religious focus will be Judaism.

The question we will be looking to answer will be **"Does visiting the synagogue help Jewish children feel closer to God?"**

The children will look closer at Jewish people's place of worship and will explore how it makes people feel when they go to the Synagogue. We will then relate this to our own special places and the feelings involved.

Computing

Your child will explore the program Scratch Jr. They will learn how to create, modify and run their own program by exploring different algorithms.

If you would like to download this program for your child to use at home this can be found on the website <https://codejr.org/scratchjr/index.html>



Please remember the daily essentials:



Your child's book bag containing their reading record and any books they currently have. Remember to listen to your child read at least three times a week and record this each time in their yellow reading record.



A water bottle – please do not put juice in your child's bottle, only water please.



As the weather begins to warm up please provide your child with a sun hat and apply sunscreen before school.



PE Kits must be brought to school every Monday and will remain in school until the end of the week. Your child should have a plain white t-shirt, black shorts and suitable shoes for outdoor sport.

