



Year 1 Curriculum Newsletter – Autumn 1

Writing



In our writing lessons we will be participating in Drawing Club!

Children will learn to take a well-known story and explore the characters and settings within it before using their imagination to create new and creative events!

Within these lessons, we will focus on our transcriptional skills of applying our phonic knowledge to spell and our handwriting skills to ensure that our letter formation is correct.

Maths



This term we will look at Place Value, using numbers up to 10. We will also focus on learning:-

- One more, one less & ordering.
- Representing numbers in different ways.

Adding/Subtracting

- Representing these calculations visually – parts and wholes.
- Writing “number sentences”
- Fact Families.
- Bonds to 10 & Bonds within 10
- Adding.

Reading



Reading in Year 1 will predominantly focus on decoding in order to read. Children will bring their phonics reading books home every day and they will get two new books for home each week – one that they have read in school in order to build fluency, and another that is phonetically decodable, but they have not read in school. Children will need their reading books in their book bags **every day**.

Children will also participate in daily Talk Through Stories sessions and will develop their understanding of vocabulary, sequencing and inference.

Science



We will initially focus on seasonal changes. with a particular focus on the changes from summer to autumn. We will also be learning to name, draw, and label parts of the human body, and explore how we use our five senses. We will also think about how we experience the world through sight, sound, touch, smell, and taste.

Religious Education



Our principal religions this half term is Christianity and Islam. We will be learning to reflect on what is special to ourselves and others, and explore how symbols and artefacts connect to faith and belief. We will also learn how people of faith live their lives and celebrate important life events through rituals, promises, and ceremonies.

History



Our topic for this term will be ‘What was my local area like in the past?’ We will be learning to understand the difference between past and present. We will also explore how school and Pearson Park have changed over time.

Art



Our artist in study is Paul Klee. We will be learning about how he uses shapes and primary colours, along with thick and thin lines to create city images.

Physical Education (PE)



Our PE day is Tuesday. Children should come to school in their PE kits. Our units for PE are Learning Through Play: Playing Games, and Teamwork.

Music



We will be learning to keep a steady pulse while clapping, tapping, swaying, singing, and playing rhythms. We will also learn to follow instructions and copy rhythms using word patterns and instruments.

Personal, Social, Health and Economics (PSHE)



The school's Jigsaw theme this half term is ‘Being me in my world’. We will be learning to set goals, understand our feelings, and explore the rights and lives of children around the world. We will also learn how our choices affect others and how we can take part in democracy within our school community.

Computing



We will be learning to log in using a username and password, and save or retrieve documents and media. We will also create and edit pictures using digital tools.