

Year 1 Autumn 1

English

Our unit this half term is Penguins, Possums and Pigs! Within this we will be looking at:

- Stories with familiar settings
- Non-chronological reports
- Poems on a theme.

We will use texts by the author Oliver Jeffers to support us with our learning, such as Lost and Found and Up and Down.

We will be learning to orally compose a sentence before writing and try to hold this in our memory while writing. We will learn to separate our words using finger spaces and to use simple punctuation such as capital letters and full stops. We will also begin to understand writing questions using a question mark.

In our phonics we will be recapping what we learnt in reception on the Initial Code of Sounds-Write, before moving onto the Extended Code. We will also be learning a range of high frequency words that will support us in becoming fluent readers.

We will begin to explore pre-cursive handwriting and learn how to form our lower case letters with daily handwriting practise, plus lots of fine motor activities to make our hands strong!

Maths

As a school we follow White Rose Maths, supplemented by lots of practical activities and other resources. This term we will begin by looking at Place Value within 10, before moving onto Addition and Subtraction within 10. We will also explore sorting and representing objects, greater than and less than, number bonds and ordinal numbers. We will also be working on our one to one correspondence.

Geography

We will begin our learning in Geography by learning mapping skills. We will look at a range of maps and will learn what an aerial view is and map out our classroom.

We will then begin our topic of My Home, My School. In this we will learn about different types of homes and compare the homes we live in, learn our addresses and find out why these are important. We will then look at where in the world our school is, finding it on a map and looking at how our school may have changed. We will also learn what a compass is and how we use one. We will practise using directional language and use this when exploring our school grounds.

Questions we will consider:

- What kind of home do you live in?
- What is an address? Why do you need one?
- Where is our school?
- What is a map?
- What do we use a compass for?

Art & Design

During this half term we will be developing our skills in design, drawing, craft, painting and art appreciation. We will explore different printing techniques and how to mix shades.

Computing

To start of our learning in Computing we will be exploring e-safety and finding out how we can stay safe online. Then, our focus will be learning how to log on and off our school laptops and developing our mouse and keyboard skills.

PE

Supported by Mr Davies we be covering the fundamentals of movement including speed, agility and quickness, plus sending and receiving skills.

Music

Joined by Mr Perry, we will learn to play instruments as a group and learn to copy rhythms on the samba drums.

PSHE

This term we will be focusing on how to be a good learner, how to show we are listening and to follow the rules and routines of our new classroom appropriately. We will also look at how to be a good friend and be safe when playing with others.

RE- Come and See

Our first R.E. topic will be 'Family'. We will be thinking about our own Families and how the family is often the first place we experience God's love. The children will consider: Who loves me? Who are my family? How do families show love and care?

Science

Our first science topic will be Animals including Humans, focusing on humans, our brilliant bodies and super senses!