



Year 1 Summer

Welcome back after the Easter break. We hope that you all had an enjoyable holiday and that you have spent much needed quality time with your family. Summer is a busy term full of learning!

Maths

As mathematicians in Year 1, the children will be becoming more secure with numbers, counting, reading and writing in numerals and words. We will have the opportunity to learn about different coins, recognising the value, grouping amounts, and solving problems. Children will also learn about position and directions including, whole, half, quarter and three-quarter turns. Finally, children will learn to tell the time to the nearest hour and half past the hour.

English

In English, we will continue to focus on the use of punctuation including, capital letters, full stops, questions marks and exclamation marks. Children will build upon their knowledge of how to make their sentences more interesting by adding adjectives within expanded noun phrases, using a variety of different sentence openers and the conjunctions 'and', 'but' and 'because'. Children will also practise using commas in a list and they will learn how to change adjectives into adverbs. Prefixes and suffixes will continue to be taught such as 'ed', 'est', 'er', 'un' and 'ing'. Children will have the opportunity to use these skills when writing a range of genres linked to our topic work.

Religious Education

The children will be learning about sacred books for Christians and Muslims, why they are important and how to look after them. They will find out about places of worship, some of the artefacts inside them and the meanings of some religious symbols.

Science

As scientists, the children will identify and name a variety of common everyday materials and describe their simple physical properties. They will have the opportunity to explore and experiment with a wide variety of materials. Children will continue to observe the changes across the seasons.

P.E

PE will be continuing to develop skills in games and getting creative with dance.

Thematic

Our thematic units are cross-curricular, covering all the traditional subjects as well as more contemporary areas of study such as sustainability and well-being.

Our current theme this term is 'Light Up the World'.

"Light Up the World" is a unit based around the sun and other sources of light, with a science focus. Pupils will look at solar power and how to save electricity, as well as learning about sun safety and the importance of protecting both the skin and eyes.

They will also learn about how shadows are formed when solid objects block light. Nocturnal animals will also be introduced in this unit.



Our next theme will be 'Royal Patrons'

"Royal Patrons" has a history focus, comparing the lives of Queen Victoria and Queen Elizabeth II. Elizabeth is a direct descendant of Queen Victoria, her great-great-grandmother, and both are recognised sources of inspiration whose legacies will live on.



Our final theme is 'Zero to Hero'.

"Zero to Hero" is a thematic unit about heroes and heroines, both past and present, who have overcome major challenges in life and become inspirational figures. There is a key subject focus on history. You will learn about different people, of different ages, from different cultural backgrounds who all have one thing in common - courage and determination.

PSHE

Children will learn how to keep healthy and safe. They will learn about eating healthily, exercising, having good hygiene routines, staying safe in the sun, managing feelings and keeping safe in the world and on the internet.

MFL

Modern Foreign Languages will focus on French. Children will be given informal opportunities to experience and use the language.