

Parent Information – Autumn Term 2019/20 Curriculum Overview

KS1 – Year 1 and 2

English

This term our English lessons will be focusing on the Read Write Inc scheme for teaching and securing phonics.

We want our children to develop a love of reading and become confident readers by the time they leave key stage one.

Read Write Inc phonics is a fantastic way of ensuring that our children know all their sounds and are able to apply these sounds into their reading, spelling and writing.

Children will be grouped according to their own individual needs so that they are supported in making rapid progress.

ICT

In ICT children will be learning how to use coding using software called Scratch. We will also be focusing on key skills such as logging on and off, touch typing and e-safety.

PE

In PE children will be taking part in a range of group invasion games to develop control, agility and good sportsmanship skills. We will also be creating and learning our own Great Fire of London dance.

Topic

In our topic this term we will be learning about the Great Fire of London. In our history work we will be going back in time to find out all about the Great Fire, how it started, why it spread so quickly and what happened to London after the fire. We will also be making our own Tudor homes out of everyday materials. We will be making our own bread in our design and technology lessons and will be writing instructions on how to make it. In our geography lessons we will be finding out about our local area, then researching and comparing Derby to London.

Great Fire of London

Maths

In maths this term we will cover a range of topics. We will begin the term by learning about place value and securing number facts. We will then move on to looking at adding and subtracting. Followed by learning about fractions.

Throughout the year we will also cover a range of mental maths skills including learning our times tables. Each week we will have times tables and number bond quizzes. It is important that by the end of key stage one, children have a secure grasp of their 2 x table, 5 x table and 10 x table. Please support your children by helping them to learn these times tables at home.

PSHE/British Values

In PSHE we will be looking at what makes a real life hero. We will be finding out about the work of the emergency services. We will also be doing some work around anti-bullying week and how to be a good friend.

RE

In RE we will be learning about festivals of Harvest, Diwali and towards the end of term we will spend an extended amount of time learning about the festival of Christmas.

Science

We are learning about how we change and grow as humans and will be learning about our senses to begin the term. Following that, we will move on to learning about everyday materials and the properties of materials. We are going to be taking part in lots of exciting science experiments.

Trips & Events

We are beginning the term with our Roald Dahl Day activities and a local walk to support our Geography work. During the term we will also be having lots of visitors into school to enhance our learning.

Music & Art

In art we will be looking at pop art and the work of Paul Klee. We will be singing songs about the Great Fire of London.