

History- Explorers

In History, we will be learning about Neil Armstrong and Christopher Columbus. We will investigate their explorations and compare the two, thinking about where they travelled and what they travelled in.

Computing- Coding

This half term, we will be exploring coding and learning that a code is a set of instructions written in symbols that a computer can understand. We will write our own code to make a computer programme.

Geography- Hot and cold areas

In Geography, we will be finding out about hot and cold areas of the world. We will locate the north and south poles as well as the equator. We will find out what the weather is like in these places.

RE

In RE we will be looking at Judaism and Shabbat. We will learn what Jewish people remember on Shabbat and how it is celebrated. We will then look at how different religions perceive about God.

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Music- Big Bear Funk

In this unit, we will be learning the song 'Big Bear Funk'. We will learn to play the glockenspiel and add this to our singing. At the end, we will perform our song.

PE- Athletics

In PE we will be learning the basic skills of athletics including running, jumping and throwing. We will use the skills we learn on sports day!

English

In English, we will look at the story 'Whatever Next' and identify what an adventure story is. We will then write our own adventure stories. We will also be writing non-chronological reports and letters.

Art- Andy Goldsworthy

In Art, we will learn about the famous English artist Andy Goldsworthy. He is an environmentalist and creates all his art work using natural materials. We will explore the shapes and patterns he uses before creating our own natural piece of art work.

Science- Light sources

In Science we will be learning about where light comes from.

We will be exploring natural and artificial sources as well as thinking about night and day.

We will locate different light sources in the classroom and think about how light helps us in our everyday lives.

Maths

In maths, we are looking at position and direction. We will identify left and right, clockwise and anticlockwise as well as different types of turns.

We will also be revisiting time and measure this half term.

We will continue to practise counting in 2's, 5's and 10's.

PHSE

In PSHE we will be looking at relationships, exploring our families and how they might be different to others.

How to help your child at home

Reading is so important in year 1 and children will be sitting their phonics screening check at the end of the year. Please read regularly with your child and record this in their reading record.

Please complete the weekly spellings sent home. You can also encourage your children to write at home- maybe they can help you write a shopping list!