



Year 1 Autumn Term 2018

English

This term we will be working hard to form all letters correctly and use phonics to write words. We will learn about sentences needing capital letter, finger spaces and full stops and try hard to begin to use these when we are writing. Many of our lessons will focus on speaking and listening as we practise what we want to write. We will learn some instructions and use drama to explore a secret forest.

'All Aboard The Language Ship'

Maths

In Maths we are learning to form numbers correctly and count objects to 10. We will move on to learn how to order numbers, how to work out one more and one less and will be creating addition and subtraction stories up to 20. We will spend time everyday recognising numbers and counting forward and backward.

In addition, we will begin to look at number bonds to 10. Our whole school focus is reasoning so we will be focusing on explaining what we notice and justifying our answers. We will ask the children: "why do you think that?" or "how do you know?" "What tells you that is the answer?" or "what do you notice?"

Music

The children will be singing regularly and exploring the sounds instruments make and how the sound makes them feel.

Thank you for your on-going support at home! Please continue to listen to your child read and carry out maths activities with them at least four times per week.

RE

In RE we will be studying Christianity and we also hope to visit a local church. Our year 1 nativity play will be here soon and this will support our learning in RE

Topic

In Geography we will be looking at the 7 different continents and what is similar and different about them. Following on from that, later in the term we will look at the 5 oceans. We will also look at the UK and the four countries within it. We will locate the countries on maps and look at their features. We will also be comparing the UK with somewhere else in the world. We will also be exploring compasses and using them to create a simple map.

In ICT we will be looking at emails to link with our English writing and how to stay safe online.

We will spend time in art researching different artists and their work linked to our class country.

We have had a number of children without a PE kit in school. Although PE sessions take place on Thursdays, it is essential that children have their kit in school everyday. Our curriculum varies and so the children may need it on other days too!

Don't forget that your child has their own username and password to access and Letter-join. You can access Letter-join on an ipad when you are connected to the internet. This programme will help the children form their letters correctly.

Trips

We hope to visit the local church in December. The children will discover more about advent and the Christmas story.