



Spring 2024 - Year 1 – What are we learning this half term?

English

During the next term we will be exploring our world throughout our writing. We will be reading books such as: *There's a Rang Tan-Tan in my Bedroom*, *Somebody Swallowed Stanley*, *The Ugly 5* and *Clean Out* in order to use our skills from the Autumn term to write our own holiday brochures, non-fiction books about our chosen animals, adventure stories and exploring different types of poetry.

Maths

Place Value, Addition and Subtraction, Length, Height, Mass and Volume

We will be looking at counting, adding and subtracting within 20 and then moving onto numbers within 50! We will also be exploring length, height, mass and volume through hands-on experiences. As always, we will be challenged to think deeper, using our problem-solving skills to develop our mathematical brains even further!

Animals, including humans

This term we will:

- identify and name a variety of animals including fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals;
- Identify and name animals that are carnivores, omnivores and herbivores;
- describe the structure of common animals
- draw and label the basic parts of the human body.

Meet the Team

Mrs Hugill - Class Teacher
Miss Ducat – HLTA
Mrs Harrop – GTA Mornings
Mrs Wood – GTA starting 22nd January

Christian Value for half term – Perseverance

RE

In RE, we will be learning about who is Jewish and what they believe.

Geography and DT

Can we prevent animals from becoming endangered?

Across the spring term we will be learning all about the endangered animals across the world. We will be developing our geographical skills to understand where we live and comparing this to various places around the world. We will be investigating the different weather, climate and habitats in these places to use this knowledge further in our DT. Here we will be designing our own conservation area for our chosen endangered animal.

PSHE

Healthy Me and Dreams and Goals!

We will also be looking at the ways we can keep our minds and bodies healthy. We will be exploring our own dreams and goals, discussing how it feels when we are proud and disappointed.

Computing

Lego Builders and Maze explorers

Lego Builders encourages children to begin to think logically about scenarios. Children will be introduced to the term 'algorithm'. This concept is at the core of coding. *Maze Explorers*, builds upon this, linking logical thought processes to the way that computers are programmed.

Physical Education

Hand skills and Ball Skills

We are continuing to focus on ball skills control and passing the ball when stationary and moving. After this, we are progressing to hand skills including passing and dribbling.

Music

Football

Within this music unit, we will be exploring echo singing, composing word patterns, improvising with mi-re-do, and playing a percussion ostinato. Activities will support pupils to understand the difference between pitched patterns and rhythm patterns, higher and lower.

Homework

Daily reading is encouraged – please bring books back in once they have read them so we can change them.
Homework will be sent home every Friday to be returned by the following Wednesday.