

Key Stage One - Spring Term 2023



Antarctica

Welcome back to a new school term; I hope you all had a happy and wonderful Christmas. We have a very exciting term ahead!

Art

This term, we will be focusing on textiles and collages. The children will have the opportunity to explore different types of portraits and create a range of portraits, experimenting with colour and materials.

History/Geography

This term, the children will learn all about Antarctica. We will explore where Antarctica is, the climate and who lives there. We will discuss the differences between our location and Antarctica and the animals who live there. We will learn about when Antarctica was discovered and find out all about the explorer Shackleton and his adventures.

Computing

This term, we will be learning all about how to find, save and use information to create presentations. We will explore how to use graphics and different fonts and sizes.

Music

Children will be exploring how sounds can be made and changed. They will learn to repeat short, rhythmic and melodic patterns to a given beat and experiment with using inter-related musical dimensions e.g. tempo, pitch.

PE

There will be a mixture of activities this term which will allow the children to demonstrate good awareness of space and the actions of others and develop the children's agility, balance and co-ordination.

English

Fiction

The children will explore a range of stories on the theme of our topic; we will base our fiction work on 'Lost and Found'. We will learn the story before innovating and exploring an alternative version. The children will then be inventing and writing their own story!

Non-Fiction

Children will have the opportunity to explore recounts and information texts. Following our topic of Antarctica, the children will write their own recount of an adventure to Antarctica as well as an information text on an Antarctic animal.

Phonics

Children will continue following the FFT scheme and learn the terminology for the features they are using and steadily work through several phases to support their reading and writing.

Grammar

The children will be building their confidence in using the correct grammar terminology. Whilst this will be embedded in all our English lessons, we will be enhancing the children's knowledge through the use of 'two-minute teasers' and grammar focused sessions.

Science

Our focus this term is seasons. We will be exploring the different seasons and the similarities and differences between them. We will observe the weather in the local environment and look into the different plants and trees in different seasons.

Maths

We will begin the term by digging deeper into addition and subtraction before moving on to multiplication and division and measure. Place value and number will be touched on regularly throughout the term. The four main operations will be a focus throughout the term in our daily maths starters, and we will be consolidating our learning at the end of the term with a focus on problem solving and reasoning.

R.E

This term, children will be thinking about Islam; our key question being 'Who is Muslim and what do they believe?' We will explore the Muslim beliefs and the significance of the Prophet Muhammad. We will think about how Muslims worship by exploring the five pillars of Islam and look at some examples of how and why Muslims pray.

PHSE

We will be continuing with using Jigsaw, this term focusing on dreams and goals. The children will be exploring setting goals and how they can go about achieving them. The children will also identify obstacles which make it more difficult to achieve new challenges and begin to work out how to overcome them.

Dear Parents, this brief overview is to let you know what your child will be covering in the spring term. Remember you can help at home by practising daily for a few minutes: reading, phonics, number bonds, writing, spellings and tables. PE kit needs to be in school every day please with water bottles and book bags - please make sure these are all name labelled. The spellings will continue to be on Spelling Frame and written in their spelling diaries, and will be tested every Friday. Homework will also continue to be sent home each Friday; please can this be completed by the following Wednesday. Thank you. Miss Ody 😊