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English



Writing - Our English units will mainly link to our Science topic (Animals) and Geography/History (Going to the seaside).

1. Children will be learning about non-fiction books and texts including features of non-fiction books.
2. During our recount unit children will be able to recall some details including the correct ordering of events. They will independently compose simple and complex sentences to communicate meaning.
3. We will use capital letters and full stops when punctuating sentences. Children should use 'Physical Punctuation' to help them punctuate their sentences.

Reading - During Guided Reading children will focus on:

- Developing various reading strategies;
- Improving their comprehension skills using Reciprocal Reading to enhance understanding.

They will be taught to:

- Provide evidence from the text;
- Make sensible predictions;
- Clarify meanings;
- Summarise text.

Speak Up! - We are continuing to promote Standard English in both speaking and writing by learning and performing a poem every half term.

Year 1 Curriculum Newsletter - Summer Term 2016/17

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Mr. O'Shea - 1J

Ms. Ruperte - 1R

Mrs. Thacker - 1T



We continue to thank parents for their partnership with our school and their involvement in their child's learning. Please do not hesitate to speak to your child's teacher if you have any questions or concerns.

Science

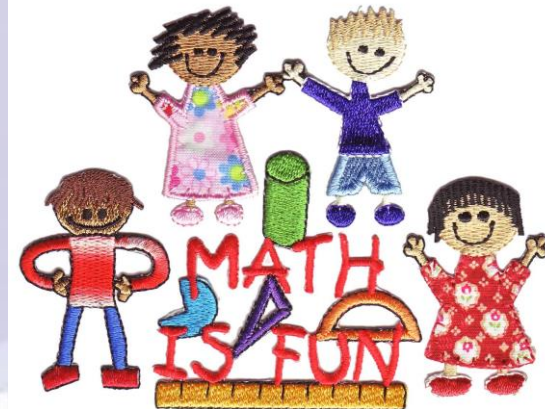
Our Science topic this term is about Animals. Children will be learning about different types of animals and their offspring. They will also visit the zoo and collect different information about the animals they have studied.

Maths

In Maths we will aim to master:

- Represent and use number bonds and related subtraction facts within 20.
- Add and subtract one-digit and two-digit numbers to 20.
- Compare, describe and solve practical problems for: lengths and heights, for example, long/short, longer/shorter, tallest/shortest.
- Mass/weight, for example, heavy/light, heavier than, lighter than.
- Capacity and volume, for example, full/empty, more than, less than.

1S is currently doing 'Maths No Problem' and will continue until the end of this year.



within all subjects.

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R.E/PSHE



R.E. - We will be exploring religious leaders from different faith groups and learn the reasons why they are so special to all religions.

PSHE: Children will be learning about Safety (at home, outside, online). They will learn the rules and ways of keeping themselves safe. They will also acquire knowledge about basic road safety, and about people who can help them to stay safe.



1S - Thursday/Friday

1J - Tuesday/Thursday

1R - Monday/Thursday

1T - Tuesday/Thursday

Please remember to make sure your child has their PE kit on Mondays, which they will take home to wash on Fridays.

History and Geography



Children will explore geographical similarities and differences through studying the human and physical geography of a seaside. Children will be learning about the differences between how the seaside looks now and from the past. In class, children will look at different features of the seaside, using photographs and artefacts from the past.

Home Learning

Homework is a continuation of school work and is a great opportunity for your child to practise the skills they have learnt.

Reading - For the children to progress in their reading, they need to read aloud daily. Please write a short comment in their reading log to communicate to us how they are reading at home.

Spellings - Weekly spellings should be practised at home daily using the Read, Write, Look, Cover, Check strategy.

English - Please check your child's homework book. Homework will relate to the unit of work we are covering that week. We expect a high standard of writing, the same as we would expect in a lesson.

Maths - Activities are given based on the unit of work taught that week.

Speak Up! - A poem will be given to be learned off by heart at the beginning of each half term. These will be performed in an assembly each half term.



Art/DT/Music



Music - Children will experiment with different types of voices and to establish the difference between the speaking and singing voice. They will understand how sounds can be changed from high to low and to begin to pitch-match on one note.

Art and DT - We will make a moving storybook based on Jack and the Beanstalk. Children will explore and use mechanisms, for example levers, sliders, wheels and axles to make their book.

Educational Visits



We are very excited as we will be visiting the Colchester Zoo and Southend-on-sea. During the Zoo visit the children will have an opportunity to see various species of animals. Their visit will include a fact-finding session led by the teachers. The seaside visit will enable the children to explore a range of things that are natural and some that are man-made.