

Year 1 – Summer 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

19th April 2024

We hope that you had a lovely Easter. We have yet another exciting term ahead with Science and Technology Week; Health, Fun and Fitness Week; and of course our Year 1 and 2 performance! Year 1 will also be having a trip to the Hive in Epping forest. You can find out more about the kind of activities they do on their website;
<https://thehiveintheforest.co.uk/keystage1>

Our themes this term are:

Geography – The United Kingdom


Science- Materials

We will continue looking at the Seasons as part of our Geography and Science.

RE- Judaism

During these themed sessions your child will explore a range of subjects including geography, music, science, PSHE, design and technology and art.

The following table outlines the work we shall be covering this term. We hope that this gives you a clear indication of what your children will be learning and ways in which you can support them.

<p>Maths</p>	<p>This term we will be looking at multiplication and grouping numbers. We will then move on to fractions and numbers within 100. We will also look at money and time.</p> 	<p>Please take time to help your child with their homework. You could also play number games (with dominoes and dice), use opportunities for counting in practical situations i.e. shopping (using money), naming shapes and describing them. There are some parent resources on the White Rose website https://whiterosemaths.com/parent-resources There are some online available on Topmarks and the BBC. https://www.topmarks.co.uk/Search.aspx?Subject=16 https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zjxhfg8</p>
<p>Literacy</p>	<p>Non- Fiction: recounts (trip to the Hive) Poetry: Reciting and performing rhyming poetry. Patterns and Predictable Patterns Fiction: Stories with a familiar setting Non chronological reports - The UK linked to geography Fiction: Fantasy and adventure stories and film (Encanto)</p>	<p>Please try to read with your child every day and please continue to share poems and stories at home. Please remember to practise the phonics sounds with your children and point them out when you see them in words. Don't forget to include reading non-fiction and information texts e.g. signs, maps, catalogues and cereal packets. Encourage your child to create their own stories: they could either write them down or draw a picture to show their story. You could even use their favourite cartoons as a starting point for their stories – e.g. making up a story about Ninja turtles or Lego friends coming to Oakthorpe!</p>
<p>Science</p>	<p>Science week- topic to be announced soon! Seasonal changes – Spring and Summer. Everyday materials</p>	<p>Grow some plants if you have a windowsill, balcony or garden. Visit parks and look at the plants and trees. Talk to your child about the changes that happen in Spring and Summer such as blossom on the trees, new growth of plants, changes in the length of the days, temperature etc. Explore materials and what they are made of at home. What would be the best material for an umbrella? Look at BBC bitesize for some more ideas! https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zrsggk7</p>
<p>Geography</p>	<p>Weather The United Kingdom</p>	<p>This links with our science topic – you could make a weather chart with your child, watch or read the weather forecast. If you have visited another country, you could compare the weather by talking about the similarities and differences!</p>

		Look at the countries that make up the United Kingdom. What can you see in the different countries? https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/geography-ks1--ks2-the-united-kingdom/zhtgrj6
Art	Exploring Watercolour- Exploring watercolour and discovering we can use accidental marks to help us make art.	This unit will extend our knowledge of paint and colour. A free visit to the wonderful art galleries in London would be a great day out.
Computing	Purple Mash unit - Pictograms - Spreadsheets	Please talk to your children about pictograms and spreadsheets. You can show them this on your home device. Have a go at making your own pictogram based on your family's favourite fruit etc.
R.E PSHE	Caring for others Making a positive contribution to the environment Staying healthy	Please talk to your child about different religious beliefs and showing tolerance and respect for each other's beliefs. Please talk to your children about recycling, saving water, and turning off lights to conserve energy.
P.E	Games Athletics preparation for sports day – Running, jumping and throwing.	Encourage children to show you what they have learnt in PE. Help your child develop a short routine for the gymnastics competition.

We recommend the White Rose 1 Minute Maths App for quick daily practice. The App is free and it is available from the App store or Google Play Store.



Some dates for your diaries:

Wednesday 24th April - Class Photos

INSET - Friday 3rd May School Closed

Bank Holiday: Monday 6th May 2024

Year 1 trip to the Hive- Monday 20th May 2024 (Do not forget to pay and give permission via Parent Pay)

HALF TERM: Monday 27th May – Friday 31st May 2024

Science and Technology Week: W/C Monday 3rd June 2024

Father's Day assembly: Monday 17th June 2024

Phonics Screening – week commencing Monday 10th June. You can support your child by practicing reading daily.

INSET: Friday 28th June 2024

Health, Fun and Fitness Week: W/C Monday 24th June 2024

Ks1 show dates: Wednesday 3rd July and Thursday 4th July

Individual reading books will be changed once a week. Your child will also choose additional books from the class book corners. This is a book for you to share with your child and can be changed as often as possible. We love to receive your comments about your child's progress. Please write your comments in your child's reading record book. Children make the best progress when they read **daily**.

Thank you for your continued support,

The Year 1 Team