

Year 1 Curriculum Overview – Spring Term

English

Children will be taught a variety of fiction and non-fiction genres, such as instructions and stories in a familiar setting. They will be using their own ideas to rehearse and write sentences as well as learning and reciting poetry. Emphasis will be placed on the correct use of punctuation and grammar and children will be taught spelling rules and strategies to support their writing. Children will be encouraged to use cursive handwriting, using organised and clear presentation.

Maths

Children will continue to improve their counting skills, both forward and back in 1's, 2's, 5's and 10's. They will use place value to help solve calculations involving all four operations, with particular focus on addition and subtraction to 20. They will learn to represent and compare numbers to 50. We will also learn about time, money, length and height. By the end of Year 1, children will be expected to know all multiplication facts for the 2 and 10 times table.

Science

In the first half term, children will be learning about materials and will be able to name and describe the properties of everyday materials. They will predict, test and evaluate ideas and present their findings in a variety of ways. In the second half term, our topic is 'Green Fingers', children will be learning to identify and name a variety of common wild and garden plants, including deciduous and evergreen trees.

Computing

During the first part of this term, children will explore how commands can control electronic objects, such as a BeeBot. They will then use this understanding to start predicting the outcome of programs. After half term, children will learn how to assign pictorial data with different labels to help demonstrate how computers are able to group and present data.

Geography

Our topic this term is 'Journeys'. Children will carry out fieldwork and develop their observational skills to study geography of our school and local area. They will also be able to identify human & physical features around them. Children will make and use simple maps and practise using locational and directional language (e.g. near and far; left and right) to describe the location of features and routes.

History

Our topic this term is 'Toys'. We will be learning about toys from the past and finding out what materials they were made from. We will be comparing and contrasting them to the toys we play with today and looking at how toys have changes over time.

Art

This term the children will be developing their art skills through drawing and collage. They will be looking at shapes in the environment and learning to draw freehand. They will finish the term by creating a shape collage picture, influenced by the work of Kandinsky and Cezanne.

Design & Technology

DT this term links with our History topic. Children will be designing and making a toy. They will use simple tools to join materials and ask questions to evaluate their finished work.

PSHE

This term the children will focus on keeping themselves healthy. They will learn to create a healthy balanced diet and why physical activity is important. They will also learn the importance of sleep, dental hygiene and handwashing.

RE

This term the children will be learning about what makes some places sacred and significant to believers. We will also be learning about Easter and understand why it is important to Christians.

Physical Education (indoor)

The children will undertake Gymnastics. They will learn basic gymnastic skills and focusing on rolls and jumps. After half term, the children will complete Dance. They will learn dance skills and techniques and compose their own motifs.

Physical Education (outdoor)

The children will be completing Multi Sports activities. They will focus on using a bat and ball as well as throwing techniques. They will also learn about creating their own games. Please ensure they have an appropriate outdoor PE kit: tracksuit bottoms are essential.

Music

Children will be using simple singing games and movement to explore pitch, rhythm and dynamics in music. Pupils will expand on their ensemble skills and perform in unison, there will also be the opportunity to develop confidence and perform solos.

<u>Other Information</u>	<u>Useful Days To Remember</u>	<u>Homework</u>
Dali Class Miss Shakeshaft & Mrs Ali	PE – Monday and Wednesday	- Children will receive two reading books per week. These will be changed on Monday and Thursday. Please remember to sign your child's Reading Record when they have read with you. - Library books are changed every Friday. - Children are also expected to access the Spelling Shed and Numbots app regularly at home.
Mondrian Class Miss Parker & Mrs Ridley	PE – Monday and Friday	
Picasso Class Miss Miller & Miss Francis	PE – Tuesday and Wednesday	