



Year 1 Autumn Term

Alien Invasion



Welcome back to the new school year. We hope that you are well and children are looking forward to Year 1. This year we will continue teaching through an exciting, thematic approach. This allows children to make connections between areas of learning, and consolidate skills. All the themes chosen deliver the programmes of study for the National Curriculum.

Maths

Continuing from the children's learning in Reception, children will continue to develop and build upon their mathematical knowledge by counting forwards and backwards in ones and tens to 20 and work towards counting to 100. Children will begin to understand the place value of numbers and know how many 'tens' and 'ones' make up a number. They will practise solving simple additions and subtractions using practical apparatus. They will also learn the features of 2D shapes and measure length and height. Each area of maths learning will focus on fluency, reasoning and problem solving.

English

In English, children will be working on writing sentences, using capital letters, full stops and question marks correctly. They will work on applying their phonics to help them spell words correctly. Children will also be encouraged to use the conjunction 'and' to improve their writing. Children will begin to have spellings to learn on a weekly basis and these spellings will be given out on a Friday and tested on the following Friday. Children will be taught how to practise spellings using— look, say, cover, write and check technique.

Science

As young scientists the children will learn the names of body parts and find out about their five senses, and we will be discussing how they are different to the aliens. Children will also learn names and some properties of everyday materials. Throughout the year, children will also study the different seasonal changes starting with Autumn!

PSHEe

Our focus this term will be the topics 'Relationships'. Children will learn about and will have the opportunity to discuss opinions and feelings on families and friendships, privacy and being respectful.

Religious Education

We will start the term with the unit 'How can we find out about Christianity today in Wolverhampton?' Our learning will begin by being more discussion based and we will also retell a religious story.

Design and Technology/Art

In DT, children will be designing and making their own blast off smoothie and making an alien creation. In Art, the children will be looking at Pop Art and repeating patterns to design the aliens some new clothing!

P.E

PE will be based on a range of sports and games and will be led by Soccer 2000 on a Wednesday and Thursday.

History

In History, children will be learning about events in living memory and we will be explaining to the aliens what has happened in our lives since we were born!

Geography

In Geography we will be showing the aliens around our school learning about maps and directions. We will also be looking at our local area.

Music

As musicians children will begin to recognise the different moods in a piece of music and will be experimenting with sounds and instruments.

Computing

In Computing children will be explore the local area and take pictures of key elements using cameras. Children will then present data collected from local area in a pictogram using 2Simple.