

# Year 1 Autumn Term



Welcome back after the Summer break. We hope that you have had an enjoyable holiday! This year we are continuing with our exciting, thematic approach to teaching. 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. PSHEe, R.E and Science will be taught discreetly.

## Maths

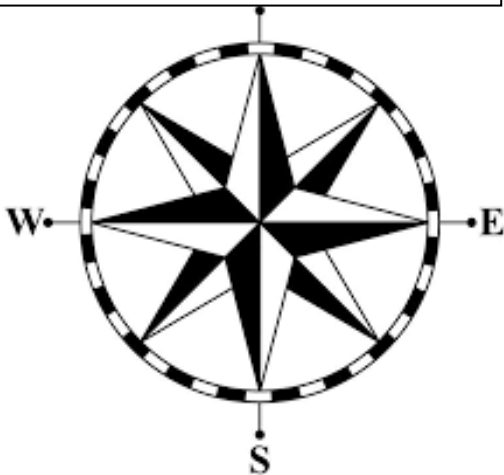
In maths this term, children will continue to build upon their learning from Reception. We will be developing our knowledge of place value, including counting forwards and backwards, identifying the value of numbers, ordering and understanding more or less. Children will solve addition and subtraction calculations using apparatus, pictorial representations and on number lines. In geometry, we will learn about 2D and 3D shapes and describe position and direction.

## English

This term English will focus on sentence writing skills linked to our topics. Children will be encouraged to use capital letters and full stops as well as question marks. We will be introducing skills on how to make our sentences more interesting by adding time openers, conjunctions and adjectives. As always, children will be applying their phonetic knowledge to spell new and unfamiliar words. Children will then have the opportunity to apply these skills in a variety of fiction and non-fiction based activities.

## Science

In science, children will be learning all about their bodies by naming different body parts and identifying which body part is associated with the five senses. We will also be learning about different animal groups including their diet. Children will also begin their learning on the four seasons by observing and describing changes throughout Autumn.



## PSHEe

PSHEe will be an important part of our curriculum this year. As well as learning about the school rules and how to be respectful and polite to others, children will also learn about important relationships including families and friendships and how to keep safe.

## Religious Education

In R.E, children will talk about experiencing something they cannot see and learn about ways Christians 'see' God. They will also learn about some special stories for Christians and Muslims.

## PE

P.E this term will focus on multi-skills and gymnastics with Soccer 2000.

## Music

In music, we will be learning about the meaning of timbre. We will have the opportunity to use a range of instruments to make sound effects and create our own graphic score.

## History

In history, we will be learning about the life of Pocahontas, what made her famous and why she is an inspirational historical figure.

## Geography

In geography, we will be learning about compass points and how to describe locations and routes on a map. We will also be identifying the characteristics of the capital cities in the UK as well as naming the continents and oceans.

## Art

In art, we will be exploring clay sculpture using different techniques such as kneading, rolling and shaping.

## Design and Technology

In DT, we will be designing and making a fabric pouch for a fairy-tale character. For this, we will be exploring materials and some basic sewing techniques.