

Years 1 & 2, Autumn 1



English

Year 1: In English, the children will be exploring Biscuit Bear and using the story to develop their writing skills. They will learn how to write clear instructions, thinking carefully about the order of events and using appropriate vocabulary. The children will also develop their descriptive writing by exploring characters and settings. Later in the term, they will use Tree as a stimulus to describe settings and write simple informative sentences.

Year 2: The children will be exploring The Lonely Beast and There Is No Dragon in This Story.

We are reading...

RE

In RE, the children will be learning about Christmas and why it is an important celebration for Christians. They will explore the events of the first Christmas and discover how Christians learn about the Christmas story through the Bible. The children will also consider what Christmas means to Christians and reflect on the different ways people celebrate this special time of year.

Science

Year 1: In Science, the children will continue learning about animals, including humans. They will explore what different animals eat and learn to group animals according to their diets. The children will also investigate the human body, identifying and naming different body parts. They will learn about the five senses and explore which parts of the body help us to see, hear, smell, taste and touch.

Year 2: In Science, the children will be learning about everyday materials and their uses and properties. They will explore different materials and begin to understand how their properties make them suitable for different purposes.

Maths

Year 1: In Maths, the children will continue developing their understanding of numbers to 20, exploring how numbers are made and represented. They will practise addition and subtraction using practical resources, pictures and number sentences to support their understanding. The children will also begin exploring shape, identifying and describing shapes and their properties.

Year 2: In Maths, the children will continue developing their addition and subtraction skills, including adding and subtracting tens and two-digit numbers. They will learn different methods for calculations that cross ten and solve missing-number problems. The children will also compare number sentences and explain their mathematical reasoning. Later in the term, they will explore shape, recognising and describing the properties of different shapes.

Geography

In Geography, the children will be exploring the question, What is it like to live in a place different to ours? They will begin to develop their understanding of different places and how they compare with their own local area. The children will consider similarities and differences between places, developing their geographical knowledge and vocabulary.

Music

In Music, the children will continue developing their musical skills through the Menu Song. They will practise listening carefully, recognising the beat and using their voices expressively. The children will explore echo singing and changes in pitch, as well as creating their own percussion accompaniments. They will also develop their confidence in performing, preparing a dramatic performance of the song.

DT

PSHE

Computing

PE

In PE, the children will be developing their skills through yoga and team-building activities. During yoga, they will explore different movements, balances and breathing techniques, improving their flexibility, coordination and control. They will practise holding different shapes and work with a partner to create and perform a sequence. During team-building activities, the children will develop their communication, cooperation and problem-solving skills, learning to listen, share ideas and work together to complete challenges.