

LITERACY

In Phonics we will be consolidating the letters and sounds the children have already covered, then progressing at each child's own phase level as a whole school.

In the first half of the term, the children will be looking at stories with fantasy settings and traditional tales from around the world. There will be a sustained strong focus on sentence structure and letter formation, whilst also introducing adjectives and conjunctions to make writing more interesting to a reader.

HISTORY

How has transport evolved over time?

In the first half of the Autumn Term our history topic will be Travel and Transport through the ages. We will be looking at how transport has evolved from the Viking long boat to present day travel. This will be supported by our trip to the Milestones Museum. Year 1 will also learn about significant individuals who shaped the way we travel today through their vision and initiative. They will be comparing modes of transport and trying to decide which mode of transport has impacted the most upon our world today.

PE

This term Year will have indoor and outdoor lessons. During the indoor sessions we will be learning about dance and movement based on some of our favourite toys. In the outdoor sessions the class will be learning about throwing and catching as well as practicing these new skills whilst moving and tracking the balls. We will also be swimming every Monday at Durrington Swimming Pool.

MATHS

Maths lessons this term will be consolidating and extending the children's prior learning. Lessons will be based around place value, the number system, adding and subtracting. We will also be learning more about 2D and 3D shapes as well as measurement and introducing standard units of measurement into our learning.

Year 1

Autumn Term 2025

PSHCE

Along with celebrated national events including Harvest Festival, Year 1 will be learning about keeping safe and looking for potential hazards in daily life during our PSHCE sessions. After half term PSCE will be all about healthy bodies and what constitutes a healthy lifestyle.

GEOGRAPHY

How do you get to school and why do you travel in this way?

After half term Year 1 will be learning about the area surrounding our school. They will be using maps and map-based computer programs to locate the school and find local points of interest.

The children will be learning some geographical language to describe the local area. They will also get a chance to create their own birds eye view imagine of the school based upon this.

SCIENCE

Year 1 will be studying Biology; Animals' Needs for Survival Including Humans. We will begin by looking the three basic needs of animals for survival (water, food and air). We will apply this knowledge, to suggest ways to look after pets. We will investigate different types of animals, including Birds, Fish, Amphibians, Reptiles and finally humans and work scientifically by asking questions and by recording our observations. In the second half of term, we will be studying Chemistry and investigating different types of materials and their properties.

ART

Mrs Henley will be leading Pre-Prep's art lessons and this term in Art, we will be learning about the Impressionist Artist Kandinsky, while using chalks and collage to create pictures in his style. We will consolidate our knowledge of primary and secondary colours while also learning about contrasting/complimentary colours.

COMPUTING

In computing this term, the children will spend some time learning how to navigate Purple Mash they will soon be able to create their pour paint projects, save and retrieve their work. They will also be introduced to the idea of coding and how to move a character around a screen using a series of codes.

RE

In RE lessons the children will learn about kindness and the importance of caring for others, by exploring the values of different religions. This includes reading stories from different faiths and learning about religious festivals and practices. The children will also learn to explore a story from different perspectives.