Year 1 Summer 2 Curriculum Newsletter

Class teacher: Miss Hillon **Teaching Assistant**: Miss Beattie

Reading

Fiction book – for writing: Beegu by Alexis Deacon
Man on the Moon by Simon Bartram

Non-fiction book – explorers

Reading for pleasure class book- James and the Giant Peach Roald Dahl

*Little Wandle Reading Books:
The children read the same book three times in a week. The first time we work on decoding (sounding out) the words, the second time we work on prosody which is reading with expression – making the book sound more interesting with our storyteller voice. The third time we look at comprehension. We read the books three times at school because we want to develop the fluency. The more that children see words, the more they begin to read them automatically without having to sound them out.
Please read as much as you can at home with them too.

*This term the children will take part in their Year 1 Phonics screening check on the second week in the term.

Writing
This half term our writing will be closely linked to our fiction books and then basing our writing around them.

The children will be writing:

- Story retells
- Character descriptions
- Setting descriptions
- Alternative endings
- Story writing
- Poetry
- Caption writing
- Letters

We will also be working hard to improve our use of capital letters, full stops, exclamation marks, question marks, similes, connectives and suffixes.

The children will also continue to have daily phonics sessions.

Maths
This half term we will be building on prior maths knowledge learnt last term and applying those skills.
We will also be focusing on:
Number fractions:

- Recognise half of an object or shape
- Find half of an object or shape
- Recognise half of a quantity
- Recognise quarter of a shape or object
- Find a quarter of a quantity
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Measurement: Money:

- Recognise and know the value of coins
- Recognise and know the value of notes
- Counting money to find an amount.

Measurement: Time:

- Using the language of time to order events
- Tell the time to the hour
- Tell the time to half the hour
- Comparing time.

The children will also be learning how to apply the skills they have learnt to problem solving and applying problems.

PE
This half term the children will be focusing on Tennis and Ball skills.

PE is every Monday and Wednesday.

Children will need PE kits both days which consists of:

- White t-shirt
- Grey sweatshirt
- Black shorts/joggers
- Trainers

PSHE/RSE
*Three in One (The Holy Trinity)
*Who is My Neighbour (The Good Samaritan)
*The Communities that we Live in.

Design & Technology

Mechanisms – Wheels and Axels
The children will learn about key parts of a wheeled vehicle, the children develop an understanding of how wheels, axles and axle holders work while designing and making a moving vehicle.

Science
This term in Science our topic is called 'Making connections in Science'. The children will look in more detail at trees, they will compare woodland animals, measure animal footprints, learn to build an animal home, and look in more detail at herbivores, carnivores and omnivores.

History
This term the topic is called 'How am I making History?' The children will investigate the past, within living memory by exploring personal chronology and using photographs and special, memorable items to ask and answer questions about the past.

ICT/Computing
In computing we will be focusing on spreadsheets and technology outside of school. The children will learn:

Maze explorers:

- Direction keys and their uses
- Use direction keys correctly
- Debug instructions
- Use direction keys as part of their algorithm
- Extend an algorithm
- Create challenges for their friends

Music
This half term we will be following a scheme of work called Kapow music and our theme will be 'Superheroes'. The children will:
*Identify high and low notes.
*Create and perform a two-note and three-note pattern.
*Identify and perform changes in tempo.
*Contribute to musical ideas and cooperate within a group.
*Prepare and perform a musical piece.
*Demonstrate a musical understanding of tempo and pitch.

Homework Please listen to your child read at home, reading the same book more than once to gain fluency and comprehension. Please also read books for pleasure to your child, to enhance their vocabulary and their love and enjoyment of stories.		Animated stories: • Drawing and creating • Animation • Sounds and more • Making a story • Copy and paste	**Other events**: *Phonics Screening tests will take place during the second week of the term. *Sports day on Friday 14th June *School trip to Air Venture & castle park on Monday 15th July. *Reports handed out 15th July 2024