PHONICS

Pupils will have daily phonics sessions where we will revise graphemes (letters that represent a sound e.g. oa) from last year and introduce new graphemes. We will recognise what the grapheme looks like, learn the sound and then apply this knowledge to our reading and spelling. For the beginning of this term, we will be revising and consolidating phase 3 sounds that were taught last year. Before half term, we will begin phase 4 which focuses on consonant blends, for example 'clap' and 'wind'.

HOMEWORK

All homework will be online via Teams. It will be set every Friday and will need to be completed online by the following Wednesday. It is important that your child is supported when completing their homework and that they do their own work to the best of their ability. It is an opportunity for them to consolidate what they have learnt at school or to prepare them for upcoming work. We will also use Teams to inform you of upcoming topics and key vocabulary so that you can prepare your child ready for the lessons. Please check Teams weekly so that you are up to date with classwork and general information.

YEAR 1 – AUTUMN TERM 2022

Welcome to Year 1, we are looking forward to working with you and your children this year. As you can see, we have a very busy term ahead and we hope that the information provided can help you to support your child with their learning at home.

Year 1 staff:

Sunburst – Mrs Allen Rainbows End – Mrs Wilkinson/Mrs Sitaram Stepping Stones – Mrs Merz Year 1 Teaching Assistant- Miss Bedford

DATES FOR DIARY

Reading workshop – Tuesday 6 September 3.30-4pm in main hall. Creche available for school aged children.

Parents Evening – week beginning 10 October

R.E

We will be studying the Christian faith and beliefs. We will look at the life of Jesus through important Christian stories and parables, for example, 'The Lost Son' and 'Matthew the Tax Collector'.

R.S.E.

We will establish rules and responsibilities in the classroom and around school. We will talk about our bodies and ways to keep healthy and safe.

LITERACY

During the Autumn term we will be:

- Reading and writing stories with familiar settings using Supertato by Sue Hendra
- Reading and writing traditional tales (Little Red Riding Hood and Goldilocks)
- Reading non-fiction texts about farm animals and writing labels, captions and information pages
- Reading and writing poetry that will focus on descriptions of fireworks and Diwali.

We will encourage the children to use punctuation in their writing and to carefully apply phonetic sounds that we have learnt. Our grammar lessons will focus on consistently using full stops, capital letters and finger spaces. After half term, we will encourage the children to improve their writing by using adjectives.

MATHS

Every day the children will practise and develop oral and mental skills, e.g. counting, mental strategies, rapid recall of + and - facts. In group and independent work, we will be covering the following skills:

- Estimating and counting objects
- Counting forwards and backwards, ordering and sequencing numbers
- Reading and writing numbers
- Recalling pairs of numbers that total 10 and 20 and their corresponding subtraction facts
- Understanding + and including mental calculation strategies, money and "real-life" problems
- Measuring length, weight and capacity
- Name common 2D and 3D shapes and describe their features
- Time (to the hour), days of the week, months of the year
- Solving problems involving +, -, doubling or halving numbers, measures or money

PE

Rainbows End: Monday – outdoor session Wednesday – indoor session Sunburst: Tuesday – indoor session Wednesday – outdoor session Stepping Stones: Monday – outdoor session Tuesday – indoor session

Children will need to come to school in their PE kits on these days. Children will also need earring tape and sweat bands to cover any jewellery, such as bangles and earrings, if they cannot be removed.

GEOGRAPHY

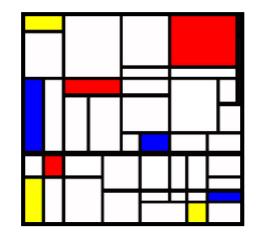
Our topic will be the school grounds which will include going for walks around the school, as well as drawing maps.

SCIENCE

Pupils will learn about animals including humans. We will also observe differences in the seasons over the year.

HISTORY

Pupils will be learning about toys from the past and comparing them to toys from today. To prepare your child please could you talk to them about toys that you and/or their grandparents played with.



ART

Pupils will complete drawing, painting and printing. We will learn about primary and secondary colours and how to create different tones. We will also look at the work of Mondrian and Paul Klee.

COMPUTING

Pupils will be taught to open and close programs independently. We will develop keyboard skills including the use of the mouse to move and place items accurately and the use of the space bar and enter keys. We will use writing and drawing programs to present work and the children will develop their ability to use tools such as colour fill and brushes.