

Year 1/2 Topic Overview- Autumn 1: Dinosaurs

English

We will start our English by introducing ourselves to our new teachers and classes. We will be learning about the things we need to make good quality sentences such as capital letters, finger spaces, full stops, nouns and verbs. We will then move on to some fabulous dinosaur story telling based on the book 'The Girl and the Dinosaur'.

Geography

We will be learning and recapping the 4 countries of the UK and their capital cities. We will be exploring geographical vocabulary such as village, town, city, beach, cliff and coast. Later, we will be exploring compass directions around the school grounds and making our own coastal maps with symbols and keys.

Maths

Y1: Place value including ordering numbers and numbers of objects, using numberlines. Addition and subtraction including number bonds within 10 (including quick recall of these) and how to present these systematically.

Y2: Recapping one more, one less, number bonds within 10 and numbers to 100.

Counting in 2s, 5s, 10s and 3s. Addition and subtraction using two 2 digit numbers and related facts.

Science

We will be learning about animals including humans. We will be labelling human body parts, and exploring our senses. In later lessons, children will be thinking of (and doing) their own tests and observations they can carry out using their senses.

DT

In DT we will be working in teams to make the biggest free standing dinosaur structures possible! We will be focusing on adapting our designs to make them stronger, stiffer and more stable.

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Computing

In computing, we will be getting to know the parts of desktop computers and laptops. We will be learning basic skills such as using a mouse and keyboard and saving and opening our work. We will also learn about using a computer responsibly.

PE - Outdoor
This half term, our PE focus is:

- Fundamental skills - moving at speed, aiming, throwing, catching, kicking, trapping and multiskills

RE

Our big question this half term is: What are we thankful for? We will be exploring Harvest time and learning about what Harvest means to people of different faiths. We will focus in particular on how Christians celebrate and the Jewish festival of Sukkot.

PSHE

This half term our unit is: Citizenship: Rights Rules and Responsibilities. We will be thinking about and discussing school rules and how they impact us, how rules help people feel safe and happy in school and how democratic decisions from school council and the class themselves may affect them in the everyday life. Our second unit is E-safety: Me and my online identity, where children will be thinking about their real life and life online and how to recognise if they see something that makes them uncomfortable.

PE - Indoor

This half term, our PE focus is:

- Gymnastics - learning skills for travelling, rolling and balancing and then using these creatively.