

Year One - Spring Term 2017

Our topic is Materials, Toys and Plants

Communication, Language and

Literacy

This term we will be teaching the children to write stories by reflecting on their own experiences



We will continue to teach phonics for reading and writing. We will also be asking the children to spell common words correctly.

It is very important that you continue to read to your child as well as listening to them read daily.

ICT

We will be using the computers and iPads to write and illustrate a talking book.



Homework

We will continue to set homework every Friday, which will include a practical learning activity in addition to words of the week.

Mathematical Development

We will be helping the children to develop strategies to solve addition, subtraction and multiplication problems. They will also need to be able to count to and across 100, forwards and backwards from any given number. We will also begin to teach them to count in multiples of 2, 5 and 10.



When working with money the children will be taught the value of different denominations of coins and notes. **Please help your children develop this skill when you are out shopping.**

We will be continuing to teach the children to use: measuring implements, rulers, scales and measuring jugs accurately.



In geometry they will be taught to recognise and name common 2D shapes, including (for example, rectangles (including squares, circles and triangles). To recognise and name common 3D shapes including cuboids, cubes, pyramids and spheres.



Knowledge and Understanding of the World

Materials and seasonal changes. The children will compare and group together a variety of everyday materials on the basis of their simple physical properties. After half term they will observe the changes across the four seasons and observe and describe the weather associated with the seasons and how day length varies.

Humanities

The children will be looking at changes within living memory. They will compare and contrast old and new toys. They will describe the characteristics of old toys and suggest who might be able to tell them about toys in the past and ask questions about toys in the past



A visit to the V&A museum of childhood is a great place to visit to support this topic and has free entry.

Creative development.

D&T

The children will be developing their art skills through sculpture and textiles they will look at the work of Andy Goldsworthy. In music we will be focus on exploring rhythm and beat.



Physical development.

In gymnastics we will be developing our skills in taking weight on different body parts. We will be applying our skills to make a sequence. In dance we will explore 'mime' and the theme of carnival.



RE

We will be talking to the children about how names have meanings and what it is like to grow up in a Muslim family. They will also be learning about Holi and stories of Krishna.