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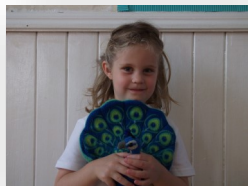
Year 1

Newsletter

What we have been up to:

In Year 1 we have been...

getting to know our new routines and teacher. The children have all settled in so well and met their class mascot!



WOW Day!

Year 1 had a Dinosaur WOW Day which took place on Monday 20th September. This is an introduction to our new topic for the half term.

Topic

Dinosaurs

Core Curriculum:

English

This half term we will be reading Dinosaur stories and using these to explore adjectives, describing what dinosaurs may look like. Throughout all of our English lessons we will also be focusing on basic sentence structures - capital letters, finger space and full stops.

Maths

We will be working on securing our knowledge of place value within 10, and we will use apparatus, visual representations and written numbers to explore this. We will then move onto one more/one less and comparing numbers, using greater than and less than.

Science

We will be learning about animals this half term. We will be sorting and grouping animals into different categories (e.g. mammals, birds and fish) as well as learning about what different animals eat. We will also label different body parts of animals.

Geography/History

Our first topic of Year 1 is all about Dinosaurs! The children will learn about different types of dinosaurs and where they lived as well as using natural resources to create dinosaur skin patterns by printing and rubbing. They will be offered plenty of opportunities to explore this topic across the curriculum.

Other areas of the Curriculum:

Computing

We will be learning about e-safety and how to use technology safely and respectfully.

Performing Arts

In Year 1 pupils study Performing Arts on a rotation. Pupils will have two terms of music, a half term of drama and a half term of dance. Through drama, pupils are learning how to use characterisation skills (voice, body language and facial expression) to tell stories and rhymes to the audience. In dance, pupils will be performing traditional stories through movement. In music, pupils are learning to perform music, looking at the elements of beat, pulse, rhythm, dynamics and pitch. Pupils will also be singing and performing in lessons. Performing arts will be taught by **Miss Green, Mr Serino** and **Miss Hutchings**.

PE

We will be focusing on multi-skills and developing our agility, coordination and balance through different multi-sport activities.

Please can you encourage your child to dress themselves independently at home to help them when getting changed for PE in school.

Personal Development

The children will be engaging in the topic of 'Being Me in My World' where they will be exploring the themes such as having a sense of belonging and contributing to a learning charter.

RE

The children will be exploring and discussing the question 'What do Christians believe God is like?'

Art/DT

The children will use natural resources to create dinosaur skin patterns by printing and rubbing.

Continuous Provision

Continuous provision refers to the resources and areas we set out in our environment for the children to explore freely. This encourages the children to be active learners and take charge of their own learning. Each area will be enhanced with resources to challenge and support the children in developing different skills. Alongside the continuous provision, the children will also complete six specific challenges a week (rainbow challenges).

Reminders/Key dates:

Autumn term

6 September - 17 December

Training day

22 October

Half term

25 October - 29 October

Bike to school week

(week commencement)

27 September

Virtual London Marathon.

Support the PTA team!

3 October

Parents' evening

19 October & 21 October