



This term's learning...

Learning Newsletter Spring Year 1



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This term's Doorway...

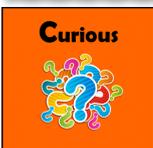


Doorways and Pathways:

This term, we will be exploring the Doorway 'Perfect Planet' and following the Pathway of 'Dear Greenpeace.' We will explore continents and oceans, learning where different places are in the world. They will be spotting similarities and differences in weather, animals, homes and how people live in the Arctic and in Paris. The children will ask questions about the world, make observations and develop an early sense of global responsibility.

How to help at home: Look at a world map or globe together and find the continents, Paris and the Arctic.

This term's Values...



Maths

This half term, we will develop our understanding of place value up to 20 and beyond by comparing and ordering numbers. Following this, we will use this knowledge to help us add and subtract numbers up to 50. The children will learn a variety of methods to support them when adding and subtracting these numbers.

How to help at home: Play games to learn their number bonds to 10. E.g. Hit the button.

English

We will start this term learning about poetry and exploring a number of simple list poems. We will then be starting our narrative unit based on a book called The Train Ride. Later in the term we will be focusing on a non-fiction unit about a woodland experience. We will be continuing to focus on sentence structure including the use of capital letters and full stops.

How to help at home: practise thinking of a phrase or sentence, sounding it out and trying to write it down. It can be about anything and everything!



Phonics

This term we will be learning more complex sounds and patterns in our phonics sessions. You will be given the sounds and tricky words that have been taught to your child in their reading record every week so please take time to go through this with them. We are very grateful for the reading support that parents have been providing so please keep reading regularly aiming for at least 5 reads in a week.

PE Day —Tuesday

Science

In Science children will learn about animals, including humans, and how they grow, survive and stay healthy. They will identify and name a variety of common animals, including mammals, birds, fish, reptiles and amphibians and learn about their basic needs for survival such as food, water, air and shelter. Children will also explore humans, learning about the human body, five senses and how to keep ourselves healthy, particularly during the winter months. Alongside this, children will continue their learning about seasonal change, with a specific focus on winter. They will observe and describe changes in weather, day length and the natural world and investigate how animals (including humans) adapt during colder months.

Helping at home: Go for a walk and spot seasonal change, bare trees, frost, snow (fingers crossed) and shorter days.

Key dates for Year 1 this term

- Monday 5 January — Inset Day
- Tuesday 6 January—Academy reopens
- Wednesday 11 February—Parents evening
- Thursday 12 February—Parents evening
- Friday 13 February—Break up for half term
- Monday 23 February— Inset Day
- Tuesday 24 February—Academy reopens
- Tuesday 24 February—House Day
- Thursday 5 March— World Book Day
- Friday 13 March— Sports Relief
- Tuesday 24 March—Year 1 FAB Finale
- Friday 27 March—Academy closes for Easter Holidays