



This half term (Spring 2), Year 1 will be learning about the following topics:

<p>English</p>	<p>Writing During the beginning of the term we will be focusing on the story 'The Great Explorer' by Chris Judge. The children will be asked to make predictions, sequence and retell the story through story maps. The children will also write a diary entry about the Tom's adventures to the North Pole. The children will continue to be encouraged to use capital letters, finger spaces and full stops. In handwriting the children will be focusing on forming all lower case letters in the correct direction, starting and finishing the correct place.</p> <p>Spelling Punctuation and Grammar This half term we will continue to focus on nouns, adjectives, plurals and verbs. The children will also be working on ordering and becoming confident with the alphabet.</p> <p>Reading/ Phonics Reading will include some individual reading, guided reading, shared reading and home reading. We will also be focusing on phonic skills and the children will practice these skills daily. We will continue to work on our spellings which will be sent home on Thursdays and then tested on the following Monday.</p>
<p>Maths</p>	<p>In Maths this half term the children will be learning how to tell the time to the hour and half past the hour. The children will take part in lots of practical activities in order to help with become confident with time. The children will also be looking at fractions this term; learning to recognise, find and name a half and a quarter of objects, shapes and quantities. During our mental starters, we will also be practising one more and one less, counting in 2's, 5's and 10's and basic counting (forwards and backwards within 100) and number bonds to 10 and 20.</p>
<p>Topic History</p>	<p>This half term our topic is called '9 till 5 - the jobs people do' and during the term the children will be researching and learning all about different and interesting jobs. They will focus on significant individuals who have contributed towards national and international achievements such as Ernest Shackleton, Queen Elizabeth and Neil Armstrong.</p>
<p>Computing</p>	<p>In Computing this term we will be focusing on Coding using the iPads. The children will be taught to understand that when a computer does something it is following instructions called code.</p> <p>Please see: espressocoding.co.uk Username: Student 22386 Password: davyhulme Please look at our school website to access our Year 1 Blog.</p>
<p>Science</p>	<p>This term the children will be learning all about the Polar Regions. They will be studying where the Polar Regions are located and will then focus on naming and identifying animals that are found there. The children will also learn about carnivores, omnivores and herbivores.</p>
<p>R.E.</p>	<p>Through the strands, 'Expressing, Believing and living' children will enjoy activities that link to our monthly values as recorded in the planners.</p>
<p>Art/D.T.</p>	<p>This half term the children will experiment with different materials creatively to design and make products relating to winter and the Polar Region. Their art work will include a</p>

	Northern Lights scene, a mosaic winter scene and igloos made from a variety of objects.
P.E.	In Gymnastics the children will be working on travelling in which they will learn to move safely in spaces and change speed and direction. They will also learn how to travel along apparatus such as benches.
Homework	Thursdays - Weekly spelling Children should also be reading and practising their number bonds every day and recording this in their planners.
Useful information for Parents	<u>Parents' Information</u> In order to support your child's learning at home, here are a few ideas you might like to try: - Listen, read and discuss with your child the book they are reading at the moment. Please listen to your child read every night and record in their planner. - Play number bonds games and practise counting forward and backwards from 0 to 100. - Visit your local library and make use of the books, CDs and video they offer, especially the ones related to your child's topic. - Practise your child's spellings with them - they will have a list of spellings to learn each Thursday.

KS1 Common Exception Words

Year 1

the	they	one
a	be	once
do	he	asked
to	me	friend
today	she	school
of	we	put
said	no	push
says	go	pull
are	so	full
were	by	house
was	my	our
is	here	
his	there	
has	where	
I	love	
you	come	
your	some	