

# This half term Year 1 are learning about:



## English

In English, the children will be learning the story 'Where the Wild Things Are'. They will identify the key parts of this story using a story mountain and understand that most stories follow a similar pattern. They will then look at the prefix -un and how this can change a word before looking at the suffixes -er and -est and how to use these within a sentence. The children will then retell the story using capital letters, finger spaces, full stops, the prefix, and suffixes learnt and using their phonics skills to segment words.

They will then move on to learning a text map about a day at the zoo before identifying the key features used when writing a recount. They will learn about adjectives and how to apply these to a sentence before writing their own recount using adjectives and plural nouns.

## History: Lady Jane Grey

In History, the children be learning who Lady Jane Grey was and why she was a significant individual to British History. They will learn about her life, how she became queen and her role as queen, why her reign was so short and the legacy she left behind. They will also learn how Lady Jane Grey is a significant individual to their local area and about her family home in Bradgate Park.

## Mathematics



In Mathematics, we will start the half term by learning about fractions. The children will look at a half and a quarter of shapes, pictures, and amounts. They will learn about numerators and denominators and understand that a half is 2 equal parts, and a quarter is 4 equal parts. They will then move onto looking at numbers up to 100. They will count, read and write numbers up to 100, use tens and ones to make numbers within 100 and use number bonds to partition numbers into tens and ones. They will then be looking at number patterns and finding one more and one less within 100. Finally, we will look at the concept of time. The children will learn how to tell the time for the hour and half past the hour. They will look at the long minute hand and the short hour hand to support them with this concept. They will then look at using 'next', 'before' and 'after' to sequence time.

## Science: Animals

In Science, the children will be learning about the body parts of different animals by naming and identifying them and also how to use this to classify them. They will learn about what mammals, fish, birds, reptiles and amphibians are and how they are similar and different. Finally, they will look at how to classify if an animal is a mammal, bird, fish, reptile, or amphibian.

## Art: Collage

In Art, the children will explore the work of the famous Artist, Ruth Daniels. They will learn about how to create a collage using ripping, cutting and over-lapping and practice replicating an image. We will plan, create and evaluate a piece of artwork in the style of Ruth Daniels, based around underwater sea life animals.

## PE

In PE, the children will be developing their catching, striking, and throwing skills. They will learn the different skills needed to hit and catch accurately. Then, they will learn how to send and receive objects accurately and securely before moving onto the skills used when striking and hitting within a game. They will then practice the skills learnt within a game, following simple rules.

## Key Vocabulary

This term, some of the words that we will be learning in Year 1 include:

- striking
- privacy
- collage
- holyday
- monarch

## Things to do at home:

- ❖ Regular reading with your child.
- ❖ Playing simple games to learn the tricky words found in their books.
- ❖ Playing counting games with numbers within 100.
- ❖ Writing simple stories with a beginning, middle and end.

## RE/PSHE



Year 1 will begin the half term with their 'Holidays and Holydays' topic. During this, children will learn what a Holyday is and how they are different to normal everyday days. They will learn what happened on Ascension Day and what Pentecost is and how it is celebrated by spreading the Good News. After this, Year 1 will begin their next topic 'Being Sorry' in which we will explore right and wrong choices, the Bible stories of Levi and Zacchaeus and how God can help us to say sorry and be kind to others.

## PSHE

Our Mission Circle/Circle Time themes for Pentecost 1 are as follows: Missionary Discipleship, Faith, Vocation, Witness, Example and Communication. The children have a mission each week to live out after they have discussed the topics within their groups.

## RSE

The children will start their RSE lessons this term. We will be focusing on units within Module 1, 'Let the children come', which focusses on God who created us and is there for us always. They will then look at Module 2 where we learn that God loves us, special people and how we can treat others well and saying sorry. Finally, we will move on to keeping ourselves safe.