

COLWICH CE PRIMARY SCHOOL



Class 1/2 Autumn Term Overview 2023

This term in Class 1/2, our first topic is 'What is History' for our Creative Curriculum, and in Science we will be classifying the animal kingdom and looking at what animals, including humans, need to survive. We will be learning all about our new class and our school as well as looking at the rules and routines we follow. We will focus on well-being, our feelings and celebrating our differences and looking at our school values - friendship, endurance, trust, compassion and Koinonia. After half term, our topic work will be Geography based.

Please take a look at the learning opportunities below to see what else we will be doing in school.

English

Some of the books and texts we will look at this term are:

- The Legend of Spud Murphy
- Who's Afraid of the Big Bad Book
- Goldilocks and the Three Bears
- Jack and the Beanstalk
- An A to Z of Shape Poems
- I am the Seed that Grew the Tree

Our writing will be inspired by traditional tales. We will be developing character descriptions and re-writing the stories in our words. Key grammar targets for year 2 children are to use capital letters and full stops correctly, begin to use commas for lists and to develop interesting noun phrases for descriptive writing. The year 1 children will be developing their formation of capital letters and their use of finger spaces to separate words in sentences.

In Reading, Year 1 will continue with their Little Wandle sessions whilst Year 2 will be looking more in depth at Retrieval, Inference and Prediction using a range of texts.

In spellings we will build on their previous phonics learning, using the new Little Wandle spelling scheme. Children will also be encouraged to learn the next 200 high frequency words on their individual spelling passports.

Maths

Our overview of units of work we will be covering in maths are:-

- Place Value understanding numbers to 20 for year 1 children, and up to 100 for year 2 children. For Year 2s, the focus will be on recognising tens and ones, partitioning numbers, estimating numbers on number lines, comparing objects and numbers, ordering objects and numbers and counting in 2's, 5's, 10's and 3's. For Year 1 children, we will focus on counting, ordering and forming numerals correctly.
- Addition and Subtraction Recapping bonds to 10/20/100, add and subtract 1's and 10's, adding 3 one digit numbers, finding 10 more than/less than, adding and subtracting two, 2-digit numbers, missing number problems
- Geometry recognising 2D and 3D shapes, counting number of sides/vertices, drawing 2D shaes and drawing lines of symmetry, making patterns with 2D and 3D shapes
- Measure Measuring length and height. Year 1 to measure using objects and centimetres. Year 2 to measure using centimetres and to the nearest metre.
- Year 1 Mass and volume
- Year 2 Mass and capacity

PE

- PE will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays
- Children will need to come to school in full school PE kit on these days.
- We will be learning about the fundamental skills of PE to ensure all children can play small team games together. We will learn to move in different ways including hopping, skipping, running, side stepping etc...
- We will also be developing their creativity in PE through different games which support attacking and defending skills and special awareness.
- We will be looking at dance after half term.

RE

- What do Christians believe God is like?
- We will learn about Parables
- Why does Christmas matter to Christians?
- We will be able to retell the Nativity Story



Wider Curriculum

- Our Art week next week will see the children learn about famous portrait artists and apply the different styles to their own work
- In DT we will look at structures.
- We shall be learning musical language and developing our performing skills using our voices and tuned and untuned instruments.
- We will continuously learn and use new vocabulary.
- We will develop confidence and friendships. We will learn new rules and routines and follow them. We will talk about our feelings and look for solutions to problems.

Useful websites

- https://www.topmarks.co.uk/Search.aspx?AgeGroup=1 Top Marks has lots of Early Years games and activities.
- https://www.ictgames.com/ ICT Games has both Maths and English games, some of these are great for using on a tablet.
- https://www.ttrockstars.com Fantastic for helping to learn our X tables

How to support your child at home

Reading and homework expectations:

- Read every night with your child, encouraging them to read aloud.
- Sign your child's reading record at least once a week (these will be sent out in the first few weeks)
- Send your child's book into school every day as children will be heard during the week at different times.



Other ideas:

• We will post as much as possible on Class Dojo to tell you all about our learning.