

Year 1 Spring Term 1

English

This half term we are beginning with a narrative unit, we will be looking at a losing and finding tale, after which we will move onto reading and writing a report. In Phonics we will continue to learn about alternative spellings and introduce the prefix un and the k before e, i and y rule. In our reading sessions we will be developing fluency, retrieval and inference skills using a variety of texts both individually and as part of a guided reading group.

Science

In Science we will be exploring different types of plants. We will learn to name the basic parts of a plant, including seeds. We will have the opportunity to plant our own seeds and to make observations of how they grow over time. We will also learn to identify, name and describe a variety of garden and wild plants as well as evergreen and deciduous trees.

Computing

In Computing, we will learn how to use technology purposefully by applying basic skills when programming. We will learn what an algorithm is and give simple, clear instructions to a programmable toy.

Art

In Art we will be learning about landscapes and cityscapes. We will use colour and texture when painting. We will describe the work of some Impressionist artists and use the paintings of Lucy Pittaway as an inspiration for our own artwork.



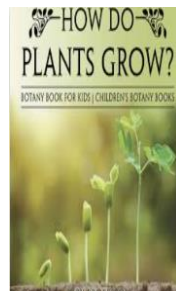
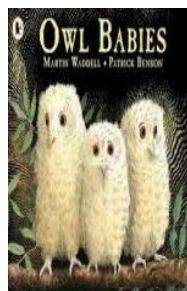
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RE

In RE will be focusing on the theme of Community. We will be finding out about special people in our lives and in the life of our Church family. We will find out how the parish family celebrates together and how Jesus is a central part of the parish family.

PSHE/RSE

We will be continuing the Created and Loved by God unit which explores the individual. Rooted in the teaching that we are created by God out of love and for love, it helps children to develop an understanding of the importance of valuing themselves as the basis for personal relationships.



Maths

We will continue to look at number, addition and subtraction. We will develop our understanding of the value of digits for numbers to 1 to 10 and how to represent them in different ways. We will use a number line to identify missing numbers.

We will begin to look at addition and subtraction, securing number facts to 20. Then we will begin to add and subtract single digits using known strategies.

We will begin to count in twos, fives and tens recognising patterns in our counting.

Geography

Our Geography topic this half term is 'My Local Area'. We will be learning about the differences between settlements such as hamlets, villages, towns, cities. We will find out that settlements can be small or large depending on how many people live there and how many services there have. We will learn about the characteristics of Forest Hall as suburb of Newcastle upon Tyne.

PE

In our Send and Return unit we will be learning how to slide a beanbag to a target, to hit a ball in different ways with our hands, move towards a ball to return it and to work with a partner to stop and return a beanbag.

In Gymnastics we will develop our range of recognised point balances. We will introduce turn, twist, rock, roll and to link our balances. We will perform unison simple canon and unison techniques when using the apparatus.