

Can I be an explorer?

Year 1 and Year 2

Summer

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<p>Week 1</p>	<p>Where is Asia?</p> <p>In English, the Shrews will be starting a new book called 'Dear Earth' and there will be an explorer's rucksack that they will find in the classroom which will open up a discussion about what an explorer is and where in the world they might go. They will read the book and retrieve answers from the text, look at features of our writing outcome, 'informative leaflets' and learn some new vocabulary from the model text. Squirrels and hedgehogs will also be reading 'Dear Earth' and thinking about places that they would love to explore. The children will look at key features of the writing outcome, which is writing a letter to Earth. The children will also understand key vocabulary within the modelled text and identify the main features of a letter.</p> <p>In Maths year 2 will begin their fractions unit. They will identify parts and the whole. They will then recognise and find a half. In Maths year 1 will be starting their new unit multiplication and division, starter with counting in 2s, 5s and 10s.</p> <p>In Creative Learning the children will be learning all about Asia. They will explore countries within Asia and locate them on a map. They will also learn about the culture in some of these countries.</p> <p>In ICT children will begin their new unit on pictograms. Today, they will understand the importance of organising data effectively and will create their own tally charts.</p> <p>In Science the children will be taking a close look at flowers using either magnifying glasses or the zoom feature on a tablet. Children will complete an observational drawing of their plant.</p> <p>In PSHE children will identify the members of their family and understand that there are lots of different types of families.</p> <p>In PE this half term is Tri-Golf. This week we will learn how to stand to use a golf club. On Thursday afternoons, the children will also be learning striking and fielding skills.</p> <p>In Music children will learn how music can play a significant part in helping us in our daily life.</p> <p>In RE the children will be finding out about rites of passage, particularly those relating to the Christian religion.</p>
<p>Week 2 BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY</p>	<p>Where is Australia?</p> <p>In English the Shrews and Hedgehogs will create noun phrases to describe different landscapes in 'Dear Earth' and use these to write a poem. They will also learn to use the past tense, conjunctions and revise different sentence types: exclamation, commands, questions and statements. Year 1 Squirrels will complete their low stakes writing, by researching (through non-fiction books and the iPads) different creatures, focusing on their habitat. In groups the children will create a poster all about their chosen animal, which they will present to the class. Year 1 Squirrels will also start their SPAG lessons, focusing on plurals ('s' and 'es') as well as the prefix 'un'.</p>

	<p>In Maths year 2 will recognise and find a quarter and a third. In Maths year 1 children will be learning to recognise equal groups, add equal groups and make arrays.</p> <p>In Creative Learning children will be learning to locate Australia on a world map and identify some of its features and characteristics.</p> <p>In ICT children will become familiar with the term pictogram. They will create pictograms manually and then progress to create them using a computer.</p> <p>In Science children will be going to be going on a flower hunt and they will be looking at similarities and differences between flowers that are growing in the school grounds.</p> <p>In PSHE children will identify what being a good friend means to them.</p> <p>In PE this week we will be learning how to control our golf club to change the distance the ball travels. On Thursday afternoons, the children will also be learning striking and fielding skills.</p> <p>In Music children will learn how musical artists are often role models and influencers who are admired.</p> <p>In RE the focus will be on baptism and how this rite of passage welcomes people into the family of the church. We will look at different religious symbols and artefacts used in a baptism.</p>
<p>Week 3</p>	<p>Where is North America and South America?</p> <p>In English the Shrews will be planning and writing their informative leaflets all about our planet Earth. Year 1 Squirrels will continue SPAG lessons, focusing on sentence structure and using the conjunctions ‘and’ , ‘but’ and ‘so.’ They will plan their letter to Earth. Hedgehogs will be planning and writing a letter to the Earth.</p> <p>In Maths year 2 will look at non-unit fractions, recognise the equivalence of a half and two quarters and recognise three quarters. Year 1 children will be making doubles, making equal groups – grouping and making equal – sharing.</p> <p>In Creative Learning children will be able to identify North America and South America on a world map and explore the characteristics and features.</p> <p>In ICT the children will be organising data in a tally chart and using it to create a pictogram on the computer and explain what it shows.</p> <p>In Science children will be learning about the life cycle of a sunflower and act out the different parts. They will then record the stages in a diagram.</p> <p>In PSHE children will learn appropriate ways of physical contact to greet friends and know their own preferences.</p> <p>In PE this week we will be controlling the use chipper and putter in golf. On Thursday afternoons, the children will also be learning striking and fielding skills.</p> <p>In Music children will how songs are a part of our cultural identity and history.</p>

	<p>In RE the children will learn about the rite of passage called Holy Communion and will link the Eucharist service with their prior knowledge of the Last Supper.</p>
<p>Week 4 INSET DAY</p>	<p>Where is Antarctica?</p> <p>In English the Shrews will be editing and publishing their informative leaflets. Hedgehogs will be editing and publishing their letter to Earth. Year 1 Squirrels will be drafting, editing and publishing their letter to Earth.</p> <p>In Maths year 2 will begin their time unit. They will learn how to read o'clock, half past, quarter past and quarter to. In maths year 1 will start their new unit fractions, focusing on recognising and then finding half of an object and a shape. After they will recognise and find half of a quantity and finding and recognising quarters of shapes and objects.</p> <p>In Creative Learning children will locate Antarctica on a world map and identify some of its features and characteristics.</p> <p>In ICT the children will tally objects using a common attribute and create a pictogram to arrange objects by an attribute. They will then answer more than/ less than, most / least questions about an attribute.</p> <p>In Science children will sort and classify different seeds using a venn diagram.</p> <p>In PSHE children will know who can help them in their school community.</p> <p>In PE this week we will learn how to control the height of the ball in golf. On Thursday afternoons, the children will also be learning striking and fielding skills.</p> <p>In Music children will learn that improvisation is a great way to create music to express your feelings and ideas.</p> <p>In RE the children will learn about the importance of a marriage ceremony in the Christian religion and what happens during one.</p>