

Computing

We will be following a unit of work called 'We are celebrating'.

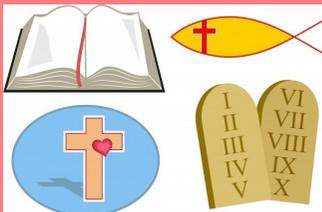
In this unit the children will have the opportunity to create a digital greetings card, which could be used for a religious festival such as Diwali, Christmas, Eid, birthdays, or simply to say 'thank you' or 'good luck'.

We will be using the school iPads to make our own music and create patterns using a variety of educational apps.



Religious Education

We continue to learn about different aspects of **Christianity** and how we can respect different religions and cultural festivals. We will share books which are special or have special meaning to us. We will also learn that the Bible is a special book for Christians.



Reading

Read with your child every day for 10 to 15 minutes. This will help them to develop a word bank which they can use in their school work.

Reading is very important and aids your child's knowledge of punctuation, sentence structure and story structure. Your child will learn more effectively if they read more at home.

Spelling & Homework

You will receive a Homework Passport detailing projects and questions for you and your child to complete at home. All homework is carefully chosen to link closely with your child's school learning.

Spellings will be sent home on Tuesdays: the children will have 1 week to find out the meaning of each word as well as learn the correct spelling for their spelling test on the following Tuesday.

If you have the internet at home, your child has a unique username and password that they can use to access Mathletics, an online programme subscribed to by the school, to help our children to improve and reinforce their maths skills.

<http://uk.mathletics.com/signin/>

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Curriculum
Information

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Year 1

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Successful Learners

English

Our focus text is:

'Where the Wild Things Are'
by Maurice Sendak.



This story is about a young boy named Max who, after dressing in his wolf costume, wreaks such havoc through his household that he is sent to bed without his supper. Max's bedroom undergoes a mysterious transformation into a jungle environment, and he winds up sailing to an island inhabited by malicious beasts known as the "Wild Things".

In Phonics, children will continue to read, spell and write using all sounds including those that they know and new sounds that they are learning. The children will focus on retelling stories and writing instructions. There will be a strong focus on handwriting, reading comprehension (using Bloom's Taxonomy), vocabulary, grammar and spelling.

At The Devonshire Hill Nursery and Primary School, we strive to ensure our children are prepared for the world in which they will grow up to live in.

We teach our children:

Responsibility
Initiative
Curiosity
Optimism

Independence
Generosity
Perseverance
Social Intelligence

Mathematics

The **Mathematics Mastery** programme is now being used in Year 1. The children are taught through 'hands-on' investigation which will help them to develop a deeper understanding of key mathematical concepts.

They will be focusing on the numbers up to 20, using place value to recognise all numbers up to 20. They will be ordering and comparing numbers up to 20 as well as creating patterns with numbers within 20. The children will be able to apply their knowledge of number bonds to solve addition and subtraction problems within 20 confidently.

Across the week the children will have a Math's Meetings which will consolidate learning covered in previous mathematics lessons.



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Topic

Our unit of work is titled:
'What's It Made Of'



In this unit, the children will be exploring different materials. The children will be taking part in a range of activities and experiments, strengthening their understanding of materials and their properties. To consolidate their knowledge of properties, they will be conducting an experiment to test the best material needed for a teddy's raincoat. They will focus on the word 'water-proof'. The children will also be testing the speed of cars on different surfaces.

Physical Education



Our unit is Gymnastics. We will be learning how to make different basic shapes with our bodies. Investigating movement, stillness, and how to find and use space safely. We will explore basic gymnastic actions on the floor and using apparatus. Finally we will learn how to travel in a variety of ways and at different heights as well as learning to travel on apparatus in a variety of ways safely.

PE will be on alternate Fridays.

All children are required to take part in physical education. Please ensure that your child has a school PE kit with plimsolls in school on their PE day.