

Computing

This half term we will focus our learning on:
'We are Story Tellers'

Year 1 will be using **iPads** to practise our **ICT skills**.

Children will be working towards creating a talking book which can be shared with others. They will use a combination of **images, text** and **audio** to help them to tell their story.

Children will be taught online safety in order to participate safely in the online community including when sourcing images for their projects.



Religious Education

This half term our focus is: **Christianity**

Year 1 will be learning about why **God** and his **creation** is important to **Christians**. Children will discuss the importance of **friendship** and the different ways in which we show friendship.



Our key question this half term will be:

Was it always easy for Jesus to show friendship?



Reading

As emerging readers, the children have daily phonics lessons using the 'Read Write Inc.' programme which helps them to learn how to read. <https://ruthmiskin.com/en/>

Children are taught to their ability through focus groups. They develop their reading and comprehension skills as well as their knowledge of a variety of texts through reading comprehension activities. As well as reading in small groups children also read individually with an adult. At the end of the day, the teacher reads a quality text to the class to ensure that they are hearing rich vocabulary daily.

All children are encouraged to read every night for 15 minutes. This is recorded in their Home Reading journal which must be signed by parent/carers.

Spelling & Home Learning

You will receive a **Home Learning 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.

If you have access to the internet at home, your child has a unique username and password that they can use to access **Mathletics**. This online programme, subscribed to by the school, will help your child to improve and reinforce their maths skills. <http://uk.mathletics.com/signin/>

Spellings will be sent home on Fridays:

Children will have one week to find out the meaning of each word and learn the correct spelling for their spelling test on the following Friday.

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Year 1

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English

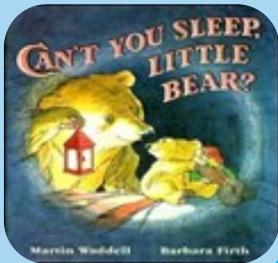
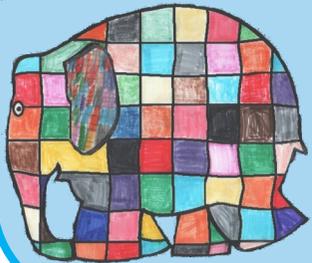
Focus Texts:

- 'No Dinner!' - by J Souhami
- 'Can't You Sleep, Little Bear?' - by M Waddell
- 'Elmer' - by D Mc Kee.

We will be exploring how characters and settings are used to build a story. This will allow us to attempt creating our own characters and settings in our writing. We will also be learning to write diary entries, recipes and recounting stories.

In **Phonics**, we will continue to read, spell and write using all sounds including new sounds and those that we already know.

There will be a strong focus on handwriting, reading comprehension (including answering inferential questions), vocabulary, grammar and spelling.



Mathematics

Mathematics Mastery is an exciting maths scheme which is adopted in our maths lessons for pupils in Reception - Year 3. Children will learn through 'hands-on' investigation which will help them to develop a deeper understanding of key mathematical concepts.
<https://www.mathematicsmastery.org/>

Year 1 will focus on all numbers up to 40 and using place value to recognise these numbers.

Children will continue to learn addition and subtraction vocabulary and develop methods using concrete and pictorial representations to support our understanding. They will learn to tell the time with particular focus on o'clock and half past.

Across each week we will have Maths Meetings which will consolidate learning covered in the previous mathematics units. These meetings will focus on the days of the week, months of the year, looking and charting the weather throughout the month as well as revising the properties of 2D and 3D shapes.

Mandarin

Year 1 will be developing their range of vocabulary to describe the daily weather and formulate simple conversational sentences. They will apply their knowledge of the Mandarin language to communicate using simple words and phrases. They will explore the traditions of Chinese culture through singing a variety of related songs and listening to stories,



Topic: 'The Magic Toy Maker'

Focus Figure: Ole Kirk Christiansen
Focus Text: Lost in the Toy Museum
by David Lucas

This term we will be identifying and naming a variety of everyday materials used for making toys including wood, plastic, glass, metal. We will be describing the simple physical properties of a variety of everyday materials, comparing and grouping together a variety of toys on the basis of their simple properties.



Physical Education

Amethyst class will focus on:

Throwing & Catching, pupils will develop their skills of throwing and catching accurately and begin to play team games involving these skills.

Emerald class will focus on:

Dance, children will be learning to perform basic dance actions with some understanding of mood and feeling. We will move with co-ordination and control working co-operatively in a pair or small groups.

PE will be on Wednesdays.

All children are required to take part in physical education. Your child must have a school PE kit with plimsolls in school on their PE day.

All items in your child's PE kit must be clearly marked with their name.

At The Devonshire Hill Nursery & Primary School our vision is to equip your child with core academic and social skills needed to be prepared for life.

We teach our children:

Responsibility
Initiative
Curiosity
Optimism

Independence
Generosity
Perseverance
Social Intelligence