

Spring Term 2019 Key Stage 1 (Years 1 & 2)

Where have all the leaves gone?

During this term, we will be finding out about the seasons and the changes we notice they bring with them. We will be using our senses to discover why there are fewer leaves around at this time of the year and we will be finding out why we have different seasons. We will also learn about evergreen and deciduous trees as well as identifying different trees and plants that we can find in our school environment. Throughout this geographical topic investigating UK weather changes, we will be using maps and weather charts and will be learning how the seasons and the weather varies in different parts of the world.



Maths

As we continue to learn key skills and concepts, we will also focus on activities linked to the seasons, including reading temperature and rainfall charts.

ICT

We will investigate how to create a simple multimedia presentation, combining text and graphics. We learn how to use a green screen application to create our own weather reports.

Art

We begin the Spring term with Arts Week where we will be looking at a range of still life images and creating our own still life while improving our drawing skills.

R.E

We will be learning about the faith of Islam, about how Muslims learn about God and about their special book, the Qu'ran. We will explore how Muslims worship and celebrate and we will compare this with our own Easter celebrations.

Literacy

We are re-visiting some familiar fairy tales and understanding what makes them so exciting before writing our own. We will continue to edit and improve our written work and Shrove Tuesday provides us with the perfect opportunity to create a set of instructions for making pancakes. We will begin to use non-fiction texts to find out about the lifecycle of our chicks and create our own reports to showcase our new learning.

Science

We will find out how our senses are important to help us make sense of the world around us. Following the half term, we will investigate how plants grow and what is happening underground out of sight. We will also be developing our knowledge of life cycles when we welcome some baby chicks into our classrooms and we visit Great Wood Farm to see the lambs an (fingers crossed) one being born.

Music & PE

We are going to be developing our listening skills, comparing sounds and appraising what we hear. In PE, the children will continue to develop multi-skills through games and gymnastics.

PHSE & Citizenship

This term we are thinking about goals and reflecting on how we learn best, identifying solutions to help improve our learning. After half term we will celebrate what is good about ourselves and think about our feelings.

Home Learning Project

As we find out more about seasons and the weather, we would like your child to keep a 'Weather Diary' for a week at home. Pupils may use any format or presentation for their Weather Diary - we just ask that they are handed in by **Monday 4th March**. Please check with the class teacher if you need any more information.

You can help your child by:

Listening to your child read at home for at least 15-20 minutes everyday. Pupils can use Active Learn Bug Club online at home to access a great range of books and related comprehension activities that will help with their understanding too. Remember to check the Mathletics website for any set home learning tasks too. We have a daily Mathletics club in school too if your child does not have access at home. Please help and encourage your child to practise any spellings, maths Learn It's and complete any additional home learning. All logins can be found in your child's learning journal.