

Years 1 and 2 Curriculum Map

Summer 1 – Ticket to Travel



Literacy:

In literacy we will be focusing on writing for a range of purposes, including recount writing and fiction. Through these writing styles, we will be applying our understanding of where and when to use capital letters, full stops, question marks and exclamation marks.

Spelling accuracy and handwriting will also continue to be a priority. Children will learn spellings by using a look, say, cover, write check approach and by highlighting word families and spelling patterns.

Examples of year 1 tricky word spellings are: are, ask, come, friend, full, here, house, love, once, one, said, school, there, they.

Examples of year 2 tricky spellings are: after, any, beautiful, because, children, Christmas, every, everybody, past, whole, would.

Try these games: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks1/literacy>

Topic: History

This half term we are comparing travel in the past with travel today. We will look closely at how travelling by boat has changed and the reasons for these changes occurring. We will learn about the famous engineer Isambard Kingdom Brunel and we are looking forward to visiting two of the projects that he is famous for – the SS Great Britain and the Clifton Suspension Bridge.

It would be helpful to look at information sources to support our research in school.

www.ssgreatbritain.org/story

www.bbc.co.uk/schools/primaryhistory/famouspeople/isambard_kingdom_brunel/



Maths:

In maths we will continue to improve our understanding of number and calculation. We will carry on practising different methods of solving addition, subtraction, multiplication and division calculations so that we can gain confidence and fluency. We will use our knowledge of multiplication and division to help us find a half or a quarter of an amount. We will deepen our understanding of this concept by solving problems and by reasoning about numbers and calculations, eg I know that half of 20 is 10, so a quarter of 20 will be 5 (a quarter is a half of a half).

You can help your child by continuing to practise counting in 2's, 5's and 10's both forwards and backwards, as well as by encouraging the children to recall multiplication facts quickly. Try these games: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks1/maths/>

ICT:

Our learning in ICT will continue to involve using computers, tablets and programmable toys. We will use ICT to explore how to present data in different ways so that it can be used to answer questions. We will continue to think about how we use ICT safely.

Challenge!

Can you find out about Isambard Kingdom Brunel? What else is he famous for?



Music: In music we will continue to learn new songs and think about the ways that we can play different musical instruments. This half term our focus will be on the different pitches we can hear and we will learn about how to make high and low sounds. We will try hard to make these sounds when we are singing and with instruments.

PSHE and RE: Our whole school values theme for this half term is 'Courage and Responsibility'. This theme will be developed through whole school assemblies, circle time and through tasks in the classroom. Taking responsibility for our choices is a big part of growing up and of being part of a community.

Challenge! What responsibilities can you take on at home? Tidying your bedroom? Remembering your bookbag? Laying the table? Getting ready for school?

PE: The children will continue to develop ball skills, including throwing, collecting and passing balls. We will enjoy using the field to practise our running and jumping skills. Fingers crossed for better weather!

Helping your child at home: With the Phonics Screening assessment fast approaching for our Year 1 pupils, supporting them with their 'sounds' is really important. They need to be able to spot sounds like 'ar' or 'igh' in words to help them read them eg card and night. They will also need to be able to spot these sounds in nonsense (or alien) words like jark and kigh.