



Curriculum Newsletter



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Year 1

Splendid Skies

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Topic

In Year One the children will be focusing on the topic 'Splendid Skies.'

DT and Art and Design: We will be creating different season scenes using a variety of media. The children will also be making a map of the UK and some weather symbols. This map will be used to create a weather report.

Geography: We will be locating the UK on a world map and we will be looking at the four countries that make up the United Kingdom. The children will also be learning about the 7 continents and the equator.

History: We will be learning about famous figures from the past like The Wrights Brothers and Francis Beaufort. The children will look at the timeline of flight and how aircrafts have changed over the years.

RE: We will be studying the Christian festival of Easter and exploring how it is celebrated.

Computing: The children will be learning how to record their weather forecast using a video recorder on a camera.

Music: The children will be listening to different weather music. They will be painting/ collaging pictures using weather songs to inspire their artwork. They will also be exploring instruments to create melodies and tones that match certain weather conditions.

English

Our English is going to be based around a plane called Parker. He is going to be taking his first flight and the children are going to help prepare him. We will be writing descriptions, instructions and we will be looking at a variety of poems.

We will practise using capital letters to start sentences and for proper nouns. Children will develop their writing skills further by using a range of adjectives and conjunctions. We will also be learning about prefixes and suffixes.

Maths

Please look at the [Key Instant Recall Facts](#) for Year 1. We will be working on these through our quizzes and songs.

Our maths activities will follow [White Rose](#) and the children will learn about measures.

This includes Capacity, Weight, Length and Height.

We will be measuring with non standard units and making comparisons between objects. Children will use mathematical vocabulary linked to measures.

PE

This half term we will be focusing on dance. We will be moving to music and putting a sequence of movements together to form a dance.

Reminders/Dates

Your child needs to come in PE kit on a MONDAY (both classes from Jan 2021)
Forest schools- 1CJ- Every Wednesday 1C- Every Friday
Your child must come to school in warm clothes, hat, scarf and gloves. As the forest school area is very muddy, you must ensure your child has wellies in school on this day.



Home Learning



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Unlocking the Learning

Thank you for all your hard work learning from home! We now know that we will all be back together in school from Monday 8th March. Until then please keep on working hard - we are so proud of you! Please let us know if you need support with anything.

As part of our home learning, we would like the children to take part in one or more of our creative homework projects that link to this half term's learning. These can be evening or weekend projects once we are all back in school. The projects follow our current theme of **Splendid Skies** and will allow the children to extend their understanding of the subject, demonstrate their creative talents and share their findings with the rest of the class.

We look forward to seeing the results and would like all the children to share their work in school by Monday 22nd March. We will have an assembly and each child will receive a certificate for their efforts. Thank you for your continued support.

Writing	Research	Creative
<u>Weather report</u> Can you write and present your own weather report? Watch the weather reports on the telly to give you ideas of how it is presented.	<u>Quiz</u> Can you create a quiz about the seasons/weather for the children in your class to answer?	<u>Paper Aeroplane</u> Can you design a paper aeroplane? How far did it fly? Can you change your design to make it fly further.
<u>Story</u> Can you write a story about Parkers first flight? You could create a book and draw pictures to go with it.	<u>Information booklet</u> Can you create an information book about something that flies (hot air balloon, aeroplane).	<u>Weather Symbols</u> Can you make a 3D weather symbol using junk modeling?
<u>Special Message</u> Can you create a special message to send to someone? Imagine you could let a balloon go, what message would you put on it? Who might find it?	<u>Research</u> What facts can you find out about light and dark? Can you find out about different light sources? You can present your findings however you like. For example ICT or a poster.	<u>Seasons</u> Can you make a picture or collage to show the changing seasons?