



Home Learning

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Year 1

The Greatest Explorers

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Unlocking the Learning

Our new topic 'The Greatest Explorers' will allow the children to investigate the lives and journeys of some great explorers. Get your maps, telescopes and bags ready! We are off on an adventure! Here are some **'Creative Homework Projects'** that we would like the children to complete over the coming weeks. These will allow the children to extend their understanding of the topic, demonstrate their creative talents and share their learning with the rest of the class.

Your child should choose at least one task. Your child is likely to require support from you to complete the tasks and we hope that you enjoy working on them together. Photographs of all work produced will be displayed in the classroom, entrance halls or display boards around school. We will also be sharing some projects in assembly.

Please can you send in your child's completed Home Learning by Friday 2nd February 2024.

Thank you for your support.

<p>Write a 'Who am I?' riddle of a great explorer. What great facts can you find out to ask your friends?</p>	<p>Make an exploring patch in your garden. What can you bury for your family to find?</p>	<p>Make a map to use on your travels - remember to mark out your trails and the exciting things you are going to see on the way. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YJy-Ppkt7wl</p>
<p>Make a compass and a telescope to use on your travels.</p>	<p>Find out about famous explorers who have explored the world. Who are they? What did they discover? Where did they discover it?</p>	<p>Paint or make a collage of a place you would like to explore - is this place in a different country?</p>
<p>Take photos of a journey you go on with your family - Write a diary entry using the pictures to help you.</p>	<p>Visit the library to find books about amazing explorers around the world.</p>	<p>Make a diary to keep your stories of the adventures you go on.</p>

As scientists we will be investigating materials. We will be carrying out an experiment to see which material would be the best material to make a boat out of. The children will evaluate their findings and will use their findings to design and make their boat.

As artists we will be drawing still life pictures of our surroundings. We will be using different media to make an old looking map.

As mathematicians we will be learning about numbers to 20 and 50. We will be exploring teen numbers and learning how to write them. We will also be exploring addition by counting on from any given number within 20.

In R.E we will be developing an understanding of what it means to belong to a faith community. We will be exploring the beliefs of Christianity, Muslim and Judaism.

As geographers we will be looking at world maps. We will be locating the different places on the map that the explorers have visited.

As historians we will investigate the lives and journeys of five explorers from various eras: Ibn Battuta, Captain Cook, Roald Amundsen, Captain Robert Falcon Scott and Sunita Williams. They will study an explorer from different perspectives, discussing what makes an explorer 'great', and who might not think that.



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In music we will be exploring sounds. We will learn that music is made up of high and low, long and short and loud and quiet sounds. We will create our own simple melodies.

As writers we will be exploring different poems, writing diary entries and writing stories based on the famous explorers we will be studying. We will be focusing on developing children's vocabulary by ensuring they are using adjectives in their writing. We will be also looking at ensuring the children are writing in the correct tense.

Using our computing skills we will develop our understanding of the various aspects of using a computer to create and manipulate text. The children will become more familiar with using a keyboard and touchpad to enter and remove text.

Important information

PE is on Thursday for both 1E and 1R.
Forest Fun is on a Monday afternoon for 1R.
1E also have an extra P.E session on a Monday afternoon.

Important

Please ensure that your child has a named P.E kit .Please ensure that your child has named wellies on Forest Fun days.