

Year 1

Summer 1 Topic - Swings, Slides and Roundabouts

This half term our main focus is Geography based. We will be going for a walk around Great Holm and visit the local park.

Geography

The children will be:

- Asking simple geographical questions e.g. What is it like to live in this place?
- Using simple maps of the local area e.g. large scale, pictorial etc.
- Using locational and directional language (e.g. near and far; left and right) to describe the location of features and routes
- Making simple maps and plans e.g. pictorial place in a story
- Understanding how some places are linked to other places e.g. roads, trains
- Naming, describing and comparing familiar places
- Linking their homes with other places in their local community

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The children will be visiting the park in Great Holm to look at the different playground equipment. They will be designing and making their own piece of playground equipment using card, straws and pipe cleaners.

Science

Science Investigation - BUBBLES - the children will compare liquids and how fast an air bubble can move

Children will be planting potatoes and watching them grow.

Forest Fun - During this session the children will have time to explore the Environmental area and work on group challenges- working together. The children will be looking at the weather changes now that Spring is here.

RE

The children will be listening to Old Testament stories and discussing what we can learn from them. **Question** - Can stories change people?

Kaleidoscope /PHSE

We will continue to be discussing what makes a good relationship and how we respect differences.

Music

Focus - What's the Score? Exploring instruments and symbols
The children will be learning new songs and have the opportunity to play the untuned instruments to accompany their singing. They will also have opportunities to listen to different music styles.

Computing

The children will have experience of programming our simple Beebots to help understand what algorithms are and to use logical reasoning to predict the behaviour of simple programs

Maths - Time will be our focus for the first 4 weeks

The children will learn to:

Compare, describe and solve practical problems for time e.g. quicker, slower, earlier, and later

Measure and begin to record time (hours, minutes, seconds)

Sequence events in chronological order using language e.g. before and after, next, first, today, yesterday, tomorrow, morning, afternoon and evening

Recognise and use language relating to dates, including days of the week, weeks, months and years

Tell the time to the hour and half past the hour and draw the hands on a clock face to show these times

Reading

Please continue reading with your child so they can work towards their next reading Rocket certificates.

Library

Library time is every Monday so please ensure your child brings in their library book so it can be changed.

PE

Caterpillars - Tuesday and Wednesday Butterflies - Wednesday and Thursday

Please ensure your child's kit is in school and is named. If they have their ears pierced they do not wear earrings on these days.

This half term the children will take part in Country Dancing and football sessions. As the weather is still rather cold the children will need indoor kits for country dancing and outdoor PE kits for Football.

Art

The children will be using their observational skills to draw signs of Spring e.g. blossom and Spring flowers

Activities you can do at home:

- make your own clock.

Please could your child make a clock with moving hands and bring into school by Friday 27th April

- make a map of your route to school or a treasure map
- take photos of yourself in the local area and write a sentence telling us where you are
- paint or draw pictures of the signs of Spring
- grow something in your garden or in a pot and take photo to bring in and show us
- phonics games in preparation for Year 1 phonics screening Assessments e.g.
phonics play

Vocabulary

Maths

quicker, slower, earlier, later, weeks, months, years, hours, minutes, seconds, before and after, next, first, today, yesterday, tomorrow, morning, afternoon and evening

Geography

near and far, left and right, routes, map, key