

Autumn 2 in Year 1

This term our topic is SPARKLE! We will be learning how and why we celebrate different events (Diwali, Bonfire night, Children in Need, Christmas). We will also be learning about The Gunpowder Plot and having our very own Victorian Day!

Writing

We will be finding out about Guy Fawkes and learning to write facts about his appearance and personality using adjectives. Children are learning to apply their phonic knowledge to write words and are thinking about using capital letters at the start of sentences and for names. We will be exploring Autumnal vocabulary and writing words in poems. This will be supported by our exciting welly walk! Our writing this term will be focused on The Gunpowder Plot, Victorian Day, our Autumn walks, Diwali and writing a letter to Father Christmas. Our fiction writing this term will be based around the book *How to Catch a Star* by Oliver Jeffers. Children will be learning to apply sentence structure whilst exploring ambitious vocabulary around our topic.

Maths

This term, our work focuses on Addition and Subtraction and the variety of methods that will help us to understand and record these calculations. Once the children have grasped the concepts, we will be focusing on reasoning through solving worded problems. Our KIRFS for this term are to know number bonds for each number to 6.

Science

We will be doing a unit of work on seasonal change, looking at the signs of Autumn in detail and comparing temperatures in different seasons. We will also be heading out on a Welly Walk to explore seasonal change in detail—please let your child's class teacher know if you are able to help out and support your child's class on their walk.

PE

Dance is our key PE skill this term, taught by USports. We also have a whole school Bollywood dancing session on the 4th of December too! In our Teacher led PE sessions we will be learning to master skills including running, jumping, throwing and catching, as well as developing balance, agility and coordination, and begin to apply these in a range of activities in the context of travelling with a ball in different directions.

History

Thinking about then and now, we will be discussing The Gunpowder Plot and the importance of Remembrance in our community. We will learn the significance of Guy Fawkes in relation to Bonfire night. We will be looking at significant individuals in our past, including Queen Victoria. We will be exploring the toys Victorians used to play with and how they compare to the toys we have today. Do let us know if you have any toys that have been passed down within your family over the years that we could share with the children. We will also be having our very own Victorian Day!

RE

We will be learning about the Christmas story in the week before the Christmas break.

Arts and Design

Our artist of the term is Jackson Pollock and we will be replicating his use of paint technique to create our own firework art. We will also be making Poppies for a whole school display, designing our own Christmas cards and firework crafts.

Computing

In our ICT time this term, we will be using the package 2 create a story/2 paint and creating firework pictures on the computer. We will also be discussing the importance of internet safety.

PSHE

In our PSHE we will be Celebrating Difference in ourselves and others, how we can work together effectively and support each other in personal goals. We will also be discussing bullying, what it means and who we can talk to if the need arises. Finally, there will be a focus on kind play, problem solving and the effectiveness of kind words.

Music

All the learning this term is focused around two songs: *Rhythm In The Way We Walk* (Reggae style) and *Banana Rap* (Hip Hop style). Together, we will Listen & Appraise other styles of music and continue to embed the interrelated dimensions of music through games and singing.



Dates to remember...

30th October
Back to School!

2nd November
Plum cake sale

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Disco! 5pm—6pm

22nd November
Victorian Day

27th November
Apple Class Autumn Welly Walk—Volunteers please!

28th November
Plum Class Autumn Welly Walk—Volunteers please!

29th November
Cherry Class Welly Walk—Volunteers please!

4th December
Bollywood dancing day!
15th December
School finishes at 1.15pm

Forest School:

31/10 Apple
7/11 Cherry
14/11 Plum
21/11 Apple
28/11 Cherry
5/12 Plum
12/12 Apple

Donations please:

Breadsticks
Icing sugar
Cake sprinkles
Wool
Ribbon
Buttons
Red felt/red material