



This term the Year 1 topics are Animals and Humans.
These topics offer many cross-curricular opportunities and will be closely linked to our -
Geography, Science, Art/ DT learning.

This term's topics

This term we will be learning about Animals and Humans through Science and Geography. We will be looking at a variety of animals and grouping them according to their characteristics. We will be exploring the comparisons between humans and animals.

Year 1 school trip – London Zoo

Tuesday 27th June 2023

Whole School Science Trip: Wednesday 5th July Details will be confirmed later in the term.

Summer Term in Year 1

As we enter the Summer Term, there will be more new and exciting topics for the children to learn about. We will be exploring these new areas and, in addition, revisiting some of the key concepts that have already been learnt and building on and broadening their knowledge. I hope that the following information is useful in helping you to support your child in their learning.

Home Learning

Daily reading: The children are expected to read for a minimum of 10 minutes each day, of which four times a week should be with an adult. We encourage parents to ask questions to check their understanding and explain their thinking. Please make use of the comprehension sheet 'VIPERS'.

There will also be one to two pieces of curriculum based work. These should be completed by pupils within a 20 minute time-frame.

Work will be set on a Friday and should be returned by the following Wednesday.

Please also use the websites listed to help your child consolidate their learning.

Useful Websites



Phonics:

<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/>

<https://www.phonicsbloom.com/>

Maths:

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/>

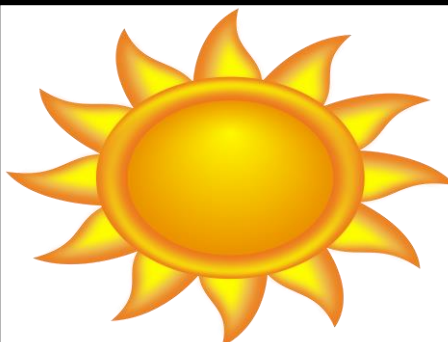
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English:

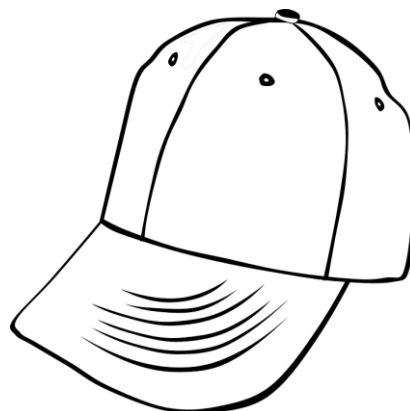
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zjkphbk>

Science:

<http://www.crickweb.co.uk/ks1science.html>



As the weather gets warmer, please provide your child with a water bottle every day (and a sunhat, if needed). Please ensure that sun cream is applied every day before school.



This term, as part of their core subjects of study...

Maths

This term the children will continue to cover:

- **Number** – one more and one less than 2-digit number, count in 10s from 10, count in tens from any number, estimate a quantity, addition and subtraction, number bonds, doubling and halving, money and money additions/ subtractions
- **Measurement** – estimate, measure and compare capacities, drawing pictograms and presenting data in block graphs
- **Shape** – recognising and describing the properties of 2D and 3D shapes
- **Fractions** – begin to use the fraction, one half in practical contexts and begin to halve an even number of objects

There will be a strong emphasis on problem solving and reasoning. You can help your child by asking them to explain the methods they are using to solve problems in homework tasks.

English

Alongside our daily phonics teaching and comprehension sessions we will be covering in Literacy lessons:

- fairy tales
- modern super hero fiction
- writing letters and recounts
- information texts
- poems about nature
- traditional poetry

We will continue to focus on improving our handwriting and the presentation of work.

Science

This term we will be learning about animals including humans and plants, focusing on:

- Human body parts
- Animal body parts
- Senses
- Pets and farm animals
- Carnivores, herbivores and omnivores
- Plants and plant parts
- Wild plants, garden plants and herbs

Reminders

I am looking forward to the exciting Summer Term ahead. If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to ask me.

As part of their wider, topic related studies...

History

We will be learning about Florence Nightingale and why she is regarded as a significant person within History. We will be looking at the changes she made to hospitals and the improvements she brought about.

Computing

We will continue to focus on E-safety, staying safe online and stranger danger. Our topics this term will include programming using the beebots.

PE

In PE, we will be working on our coordination with equipment, agility skills (reacting and responding) and balls skills. In preparation for sports day we will be practising a range of outdoor athletic skills.

PSHE

Good to be me and healthy lifestyles is our first focus, concentrating on personal responsibility and teamwork and how to keep healthy. The second focus will be on keeping safe and changes, as well as preparing the children for Year 2.

Music

We will be learning about a variety of styles, including, 'Rhythm in the way we walk' and 'Banana rap' (reggae, hip hop). Round and Round (Latin Bossa Nova, Film music, Big band Jazz, Mash-up, Latin fusion).

Geography

Our Geography topic this term is focused on Continents. We will be learning about different animals that are native to that continent and look at how they have adapted to their environment. We will also be comparing and contrasting the different types of weather and landscapes.

Art

In Art this term, we will be looking at sculptures. The children will have the opportunity to learn about different kinds of sculptures and to explore the work of Andy Goldsworthy and other environmental artists. We will be creating a 3D class sculpture using paper.

DT

This term our focus in DT will be on wheels and axles. The children will use a range of construction kits to explore a suitable model for transporting food for animals, linking in with our work in both Science and Geography. We will then design and make our own vehicles using a variety of tools and materials.

RE

This term our focus is Judaism. Answering questions such as: What is the Torah and why is it important to the Jews? Why do Jewish families celebrate Shabbat? Why should we look after our world?