



Petersfield Church of England School

Curriculum Information

Ash Class, Spring Term 2024

Topic: Our Local Area

English

Our focus texts this term will be Lost and Found in the first half term followed by Handa's Surprise and The Very Hungry Caterpillar. EYFS children will be sequencing and retelling stories, progressing to writing some labels and captions. Y1 children will be learning to write sentences, retell short stories, write non-chronological reports and short letters linked to our texts. We will also complete reading and writing tasks linked to our topic, Our Local Area.

In addition to this, we will continue to have daily phonics and handwriting sessions and group reading practice sessions three times each week.

Science

In the Spring term we will be learning all about materials. We will be exploring a categorising different types of materials including wood, plastic, glass, metal and rocks. We will be also be investigating materials which melt, freeze, float and sink. In addition, we will be testing materials which bend, squash, twist and stretch.

Music

In Music we will explore singing at different speeds and pitch to create moods and feelings, use instruments to create feelings and choose sounds to represent different things.

Art & DT

Our first unit will focus on buildings linked to our topic of Our Local Area ending with the children making their own building. After half term we will create Art in nature focusing on the work of Andy Goldsworthy.

Mathematics

In Maths this term Year 1 will focus on place value within 20 and 50, addition and subtraction and measures. Reception will continue with their Maths Mastery daily alongside shape and pattern work. We will use a range of practical resources to help support the children's learning of key skills and understanding. The children will learn topics in-depth through a range of fluency, problem-solving and reasoning activities.



Religious Literacy: Initially through the use of Bible stories, our goal is to increase pupils' RE literacy. Over the course of a week, pupils will hear, retell, explore and summarise a Bible story.

PSHE: We will be understanding and practising listening skills, taking it in turns and making clear explanations. In addition, we will begin to understand and practise group work skills, including discussion, negotiation and co-operation. We will discuss how our strengths and skills can be useful in a group.



History and Geography

Our unit for this term is Our Local Area. We will learn how to locate features on a map and identify human environments. We will also describe a journey using a map and draw maps with a key of places to show landmarks. We will make observations about and describe the local area and its physical and human geography and suggest how these are connected. In addition, we will learn to name, locate and identify characteristics of the four countries and capital cities of the UK and its surrounding seas on a range of maps.

RE

In RE, EYFS children will explore the questions: How can we help others when they need it? And Why do Christians put a cross in an Easter Garden? We will read stories and have lots of discussions to answer these questions.

This term Year 1 will be learning about Christianity. Our first big question is 'What did Jesus teach God in his parables?'

Our second big question will be 'Why do Christians pray to God and worship him?'

We will also be learning about the Easter story.

PE: In PE the children will participate in net and wall games, yoga and a dance unit.

Computing: In computing, we will develop our understanding of the various aspects of using a computer to create and manipulate text by becoming more familiar with using a keyboard and mouse to enter and remove text.