

PHEASEY PARK FARM PRIMARY SCHOOL AND EARLY YEARS CENTRE

Curriculum Information

Year 1 Autumn Term 2 2024

Subject	What are we learning?	How you can help at home
English	<p>In English we will be focusing on a range of different genres. Linked to our Science topic 'Seasonal Changes', we will use a text called 'Season' to write a non-chronological report about the seasons. We will also write a recount about our walk around the local area, and we will explore and write Christmas poems. Within our writing, we will be focusing on using capital letters, full stops and finger spaces.</p> <p>Reading books will be changed each week.</p>	<p><u>Reading</u> Please hear your child read at home at least five times a week. Ask questions which encourage your child to draw inferences about characters' feelings, thoughts, emotions and actions. Please help your child to read every night and record on the GoRead App. Bedtime reading advice available at www.theschoolrun.com</p> <p><u>Online Learning</u> Please encourage your child to explore Oxford Reading Buddy, Purple Mash and Education City throughout the week too.</p>
Phonics	<p>This half term we will be moving on to learning alternative spellings of previously taught digraphs and introduce split digraphs. We will be practising segmenting and blending the sounds in real and alien words.</p>	<p>Each week homework will be set based on the phonemes that the children have learnt during phonics lessons. Please encourage your children to practise these phonemes at home.</p>
Maths	<p>This term we will be looking at comparing items according to various attributes, and develop the grammar to compare them, for example 'taller' and 'shorter'. We will practise determining the quantity of objects in one or more sets, compare the number of objects in two or more sets using appropriate language and learn to correctly use the appropriate mathematical symbols to compare quantities.</p>	<p>You can help your child by discussing different objects around the home using language such as 'bigger'/'smaller' and 'taller'/'shorter'. You could also count groups of objects and compare them to each other. Can children explain how they made the comparison? E.g. 'There are more ... than ... because ...'.</p> <p><u>Online Learning</u> Your child can develop their mathematical skills using Education City, Purple Mash and Numbots. They can also access TopMarks on www.topmarks.co.uk</p>
Science	<p>In Science this half term we will be continuing with our topic, 'Seasonal Changes'. We will be observing the weather patterns and events that occur as Autumn changes to Winter. We will continue</p>	<p>You can help your child by discussing what the weather is like each day. They could record the daily weather on a weather chart and see if they can identify any patterns. Watching the weather forecast on the television will also help.</p>



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	to use simple equipment to carry out simple investigations to help us to learn more about the weather in each season.	<u>Online Learning</u> www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z8d2n39
History	During this half term, we will be continuing with our 'School days' topic. During History lessons, we will continue to build upon what we have learnt about the History of our school, and we will be looking closely at what life was like in a Victorian school.	You can help your child at home by finding out more information about what life was like in Victorian schools. Ask your child to think about if they would prefer to go to school in Victorian times or in a modern-day school.
Geography	During this half term, we will be continuing with our 'School days' topic. During Geography lessons, we will continue to learn about our local area. We will be learning about human and physical features and identifying these in the local environment. We will look at different maps and compare what the local area looks like now, to what it was like in the past. We will discuss the reasons why the local area has changed.	Online Learning: You can help your child by using Google Earth using the following link - Google Earth Using Google Earth can you child find out about the local area. What human and physical features can they see on a map of the local area?
Art & Design	As part of our topic, 'Funny Faces and Fabulous Features', we will be learning about the concept of portraits. We will be looking at portraits by famous artists. We will be learning about how collage can be used to create a portrait. We will be putting together all we have learnt to create a final self-portrait.	You can help your child at home by encouraging them to look at different self-portraits. Allow them to use a mirror and really study their facial features.
Design Technology	No DT taught this half term.	
Computing	This half term children will be practising using their log in details to log on to the school laptops. We will be focusing on online safety and keeping our log in details safe.	You can help your child by accessing the link below. Children will learn about keeping their personal information safe. <u>Online Learning</u> www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zmykqat/articles/zwbq7ty
PE	This half term we will be focusing on Gymnastics. We will be learning to use our body to produce stretched and curled shapes.	Please make sure your child has full P.E kit. Children will need pumps for indoor games. • Jewellery is not allowed. • Long hair should be tied back.



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	<p>During indoor PE we will be focusing on orienteering. We will demonstrate the physical skills needed for orienteering: agility, balance and co-ordination.</p> <p>Indoor PE - Thursday Outdoor games - Friday</p>	<p>For safety reasons, NO earrings are allowed</p>
Swimming	<p>In swimming, we will continue stroke development, for more advanced swimmers this will include over arm action and front crawl breathing technique. Confidence will increase to allow non swimmers to attempt swimming independently. Skills such as floating, submerging, blowing bubbles etc will be practised in a fun way using games and songs. An introduction to mini water polo will also take place.</p> <p>Swimming - Tuesday</p>	<p>Please remember all children will need a named swimming costume/trunks, swimming hat and towel please.</p>
RE	<p>Our topic this half term is 'What can we learn from stories and prayers of Jesus?' We will be listening to stories about Jesus and retelling them in different ways. We will be discussing the meaning behind different stories about Jesus and why these stories matter to Christians.</p>	<p>Share the Christmas story with your child. Discuss what this story means to Christians. What does this story tell us about who Jesus was?</p>
PSHE	<p>This half term we will be looking at 'Getting On and Falling Out'. We will be exploring working effectively within a group. We will also discuss how to act friendly towards others and how to be a good friend. As part of the topic, we will be looking at how we can make friends with somebody after falling out.</p>	<p>You can help your child by discussing different ways to be a good friend. You could also remind them of different strategies to use to make friends again after a fall out.</p>
Music	<p>In Music this half term we will be studying rhythm through the genre of hip-hop; using untuned percussion instruments to create rhythms and play along with music; singing hip-hop.</p>	<p>You can help your child by listening to a range of music. They would also benefit from listening to and joining in with a range of different songs.</p>
Visits and Visitors	<p>28.11.24 - Year 1 Visit to Sudbury Hall</p>	



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	19.12.24 - Christmas Party Day - There may be a very special visitor at our party!	
Curriculum Days/ Special Events	5.11.24- Bonfire Night 11.11.24 - Remembrance Day 1.11.23 - Diwali 12.12.24- Curriculum Day w/c 11/11/24- Anti-Bullying Week w/c 18/11/24 - Switch Off Fortnight 06/12/24 - Christmas Fayre 18/12/24 - Wear A Christmas Item Day 18/12/24 - Christmas Dinner Day 19/12/24 - Christmas Party	