

Maths

This half-term in Maths we will be introducing the children to multiplication and division. In Year 1 we focus on finding a half and a quarter of a shape or an amount.

Alongside this we will promoting mathematical fluency such as counting in 2s, 5s and 10s and encouraging the children to re-call number bonds to both 10/20.

PSHE/RE

PSHE – All our PSHE learning this halfterm will be around the theme 'Being my best'.

RE – In RE we will be answering the question 'Why are festivals important in a community?'



Year 1 Learning Leaflet In the Deep Dark Woods!





Science

In Science this half term we will be identifying and naming a variety of common wild and garden plants in our environment. Children will learn to identify the different parts of both flowers and trees. The children will have the opportunity to investigate how a plant needs sunlight, water and soil to grow by setting up an experiment in the classroom.

About this topic

Our topic this half term is 'In the Deep Dark Woods' and we are asking the big question... What is life like in the woods?

Through this topic we will be exploring woodlands within our country and the animals and plants that live within them.

We look forward to receiving lots of imaginative home learning as the children explore the topic.

English

The first text we will be focusing on this half term in English is The Gruffalo by Julia Donaldson. This will be explored during our woodland walk to Swartha Woods by creating crafts to sequence the story.

We will then look at a twist on a fairy-tale using the text Little Red by Bethan Woolvin. Through exploring both of these texts the children will work towards writing their own recounts of the story using features such as adjectives and suffixes in their writing. Reading/Phonics

With the phonics screening approaching, this half term we will be working hard to build and consolidate our phonetic knowledge through our daily phonics sessions. To support this at home, we will be sending home weekly Phonics quizzes for your children to continue practising blending both real and alien words at home.

Topic

Art and Design – We will explore the artwork of artist Andy Goldsworthy and create our own artwork using natural resources.

Design Technology – We will be creating our own pop-up books inspired by the story of The Gruffalo.

Outdoor Learning

During our Outdoor Learning Sessions with Miss Firth, we will be learning to create shelters using natural resources and building on our teamwork and resilience skills.

Key Dates

24th April – Trip to Swartha Woods.

5th May – Bank Holiday.

22th May - Topic showcase.

23rd May – PTA Colour Run. End of term.