

Class: Willow
Term: 4

Literacy

Key Text: he Sleepy Bumblebee

Reading: The story of 'The sleepy Bumble Bee' is based on the story 'Peace at Last' by Jill Murphy.

Writing: In our writing we will be focusing on developing simple sentences to writing more complex sentences. We will be using 'and' to join two clauses together. The children will use the model text as a base for a similar story of their own , using the same structure.

Grammar: In Year 1, we will continue to focus on using capital letters and full stops correctly as well as joining parts of a sentence with the conjunction 'and' .

Word Reading / Comprehension: Using this text, we will practice our skills of retelling and performing. We will also work on retrieval skills, finding answers to questions about the story.

Computing

Focus: Spreadsheets

In this unit of learning, the children will be learning why and how a spreadsheet might be used in everyday life. They will learn how to copy and paste into a simple spreadsheet and will learn how to use the totalling tool. They will learn how to use the spreadsheet for money calculations and how to collect data and produce a graph.

Maths

Year 1

We will complete our unit of learning on addition and subtraction before moving onto **Place Value up to 50**. Towards the end of the term, the children will learn about **length and height** and **mass and volume**. They will learn to measure both using both standard and non-standard units of measurement.

Quest: Best of Britain

What are the countries of the United Kingdom? How are they different to each other?

We will begin the unit with a 'Best of Britain' day where the children will be immersed in the food, music, flags etc of each country of the United Kingdom. We will work towards being able to conduct a 'guided tour' of the United Kingdom showcasing knowledge of each of the 4 countries.

Science

Biology: Living Things and their Habitats

This term we will be exploring and comparing the differences between things that are living, dead and things that have never been alive. We will be learning about the habitats of living things and how the habitats provide for the basic needs of different kinds of animals and plants. We will learn to identify and name a variety of plants and animals in their habitats, including microhabitats. We will identify and name different food sources and learn about food chains.

Working Scientifically:

To learn to ask questions
To learn to observe closely To learn to identify and classify

Geography

Focus: Capital Cities

In this unit of learning, the children will be learning about the 4 countries of the United Kingdom and their physical and human features. They will be learning about the capital city of each country and what makes them distinctive.

PE

Focus: Creative This term we will be focusing on our creative skills. We will be exploring and describing different movements, linking them together to fit a theme. We will also be making up our own rules and versions of activities. We will be developing our co-ordination, practising our ball skills both independently and with a partner.

PHSE

Focus: Celebrating Difference

We will be continuing with our new PSHE Jigsaw scheme of learning. The children will be learning to talk about some of the ways that they are different and similar to other people and why this makes everyone special. The children will be able to explain what bullying is and how being bullied might make somebody feel.

Art

Focus: Drawing and Painting—Lowry

In this unit the children will be studying the work of L.S Lowry. They will be learning how to create thin and thick lines using pencil and how to create shades and tints of colour by adding black and white to paint.

Music

Focus: Round and Round

This unit is focused around the song 'Round and Round'. The children will also learn to listen to and appreciate other songs in other styles. Each lesson will consist of a warm up game, learning to sing the song followed by an opportunity to play instruments with the

RE

Focus: Why does Easter matter to Christians?

By the end of this unit, the children will be able to recognise that the themes of incarnation and salvation are part of a 'big story' of the Bible. They will be able to tell stories of Holy Week and Easter from the Bible and give some examples of how Christians show their beliefs about Jesus' death and resurrection in church worship at Easter.