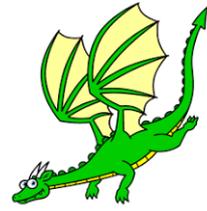




Year 1 Curriculum Leaflet

Spring 1

'Slaying the Dragon'



Happy New Year!

We hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and a good rest ready for the new term.

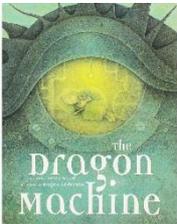
Please ensure the children have their P.E. kits in school every day, P.E. days are as follows:

Seahorses indoor P.E. is Monday, Turtles indoor P.E. is Wednesday.

Both classes have outdoor P.E. on Tuesday.

Our next Forest School will be in June and July.

Our topic this term is called Slaying the Dragon and is an opportunity to let our imagination go wild as we explore the ideas of castles and dragons. Will they discover any dragons hiding around our school?



English

The children have worked very hard to write simple sentences, using full stops and capital letters. We will continue to develop their writing skills and will focus on the story 'The Dragon Machine' by Helen Ford. They are learning what a noun and verb are and how to use them correctly in a sentence making short narratives, ensuring they read back their work to check it always makes sense.

We are really pleased how the children's reading is progressing. Please write in your child's reading diary so they receive a count for each read. We are also working hard with the children on their phonics and learning different phonemes that sound the same e.g. ay, a-e ai etc.

Maths

We are starting the term with a quick revision of 2d shapes and patterns before moving on to ordinal numbers. We will be focusing on understanding place value to 20 and then to apply this knowledge for addition and subtraction. The children will explore different ways to add such as the 'part-whole model', and regrouping into 10 and ones and then apply this knowledge to solving worded problems.

The children have been enthusiastic at counting and are building their confidence counting forwards and backwards in 1's, 2's, 5's and 10's.



Art and DT

In art we will focus on sketching and collage skills. We will draw different parts of a dragon and use their drawings of dragons to create individual collages. In DT they will create their own castles, planning and evaluating how they have done.



Computing

In computing this term, the children will be learning about algorithms. This is a program to make something work. They will follow a written algorithm and then identify mistakes and solve them so the program works.

Science

This term we will continue to study the Rowan tree in the school grounds, looking for changes that occur. We will also focus on animals, sorting them into different categories. We will finish the term with our own investigation!



History

In history we will learn about castles and name the different parts of a castle. We will see if we can name different castles that are near to where we live. We will learn about George and the dragon and why he is important.

R.E.

We will hear some of the stories told by Jesus and the changes Christians believe he made.

P.E.

The children will continue with outdoor games and inside will focus on dance.

Music

In music the children will learn how to make their own compositions. We will continue to sing with the children learning new songs.

PSHE

Our focus this term is about caring for ourselves. We will look at personal hygiene and our different senses.

Home Learning

Please continue to read as much as possible and help your child to learn their spellings. Continue to use Doodle Maths and speak to your class teacher if you have any problems with accessing it.

Helping Out

We are always very grateful to anyone who is able to come and help in school. We particularly appreciate help with hearing children read and help with reading flash cards. If you are able to help with any of these activities, you will need a DBS check first. Mrs Boxall can help you with the paperwork. Once that is completed, please talk to your child's class teacher about helping.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to speak to your child's class teacher.

We continue to use the school communication book in Year 1. Please make sure it is handed to the LSA in the morning if there is something you wish us to read.

Thank you for your support.

The Year 1 Teachers: Mrs Coney, Mrs Sabine and Miss Fox.

Special Dates

Parents evening	11.2.19
	13.2.19
Castle viewing	12.2.19
Milestones Museum Trip (letter to follow)	
	6.3.19