

## **Myself**

The children will be telling us all about themselves, their families and special people in their lives. We start with this topic to help us get to know each other. Children will draw and write about their families, create self-portraits and the Reception children will learn to recognise and write their names. They will learn about making new friends and how our names are special. Our Year 1 children will be writing all about themselves and their families.

## **Phonics**

We will be following the Little Wandle phonic scheme. Reception children will be learning to recognise and hear sounds in the words we read and write. Our Year 1 children will be recapping Phase 2 and 3 which we learnt last year ready to move on to a new phase. We will be supporting parents with our new reading and phonics scheme within this term.

## **Christmas**

All of our literacy and numeracy will be based around Christmas! We will be writing letters to Father Christmas, making cards and learning about the Nativity story! We will read stories such as The Jolly Christmas Postman and Father Christmas. The children will practice for and perform a nativity play which is always a lovely end to our first term!

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### **Traditional Tales**

This term we will be reading some of our favourite stories such as; Red Riding Hood, Jack and the Beanstalk and The Emperors New Clothes. We will be learning how stories are structured, recognising characters and developing our listening and attention skills by retelling the story.

### **Year 1 foundation subjects this term:**

#### **History – Who do you think you are?**

We will be thinking about our own past and also learning to put events in order!

#### **Geography – The World Around Me!**

We will learn about our wonderful local area.

**Science – Animals!** We will be looking at the human body and comparing different animal characteristics.

### **Religious Education**

Our Talking to God topics this term will be; Myself, Welcome and Birthdays. We will be learning to say our daily prayers, reading stories from the bible, learning about being a part of God's special family and preparing for Christmas and Jesus' birthday.

## **Autumn**

We will go on an autumn walk and look at changes around us. Our work will be based on stories such as Leaf Man, The Gruffalo and Stick Man. We will be writing about all of the different things we see in Autumn. We will use lots of things we find on our autumn walk to help with our counting and pattern work including conkers, acorns and pine cones. The children will make some autumn art using things we can find in our outdoor area.

### **Little People, Big Dreams**

To develop children's understanding of the past and present we will be looking at a range of the Little People, Big Dreams books. This term we will focus on Rosa Parks and Captain Tom Moore.

## **Maths**

This term the Reception children will be learning about pattern, composition of numbers, counting, comparing and measuring.

Our Year 1 children will be looking at place value which will include counting forwards and backwards and representing numbers. We will then move on to addition and subtraction.