



Dunmore Primary School

Year 1 Curriculum Newsletter - Autumn Term 2 2024



Ideas for home



Science – Weather and Seasons <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Observing and naming different types of weather Gathering data about day length and how it changes Looking at the features of each season <p> Your child may enjoy the following video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yLIWkhE7YCg</p>	P.E. – Large Apparatus <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Developing climbing and balancing skills using a range of apparatus such as tables, vaults, benches and mats Creating and performing sequences of movements
Geography – Seasons in the UK <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recognise the earth as a globe and locate the UK Locate hot and cold areas/ climates of the world in relation the equator and poles Look at the seasonal weather patterns of the UK and make simple predictions about the weather 	Music – Beat & Rhythm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Marking the beat of songs with actions Synchronising with a partner Making up new words to a song <p> Ask your child to sing and tap the beat of the following songs and rhymes: Chop, chop; Oliver Twist; Pease pudding hot.</p>
P.S.H.E. – Celebrating Difference <p>Question- what makes you unique?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify similarities and differences between yourself and your friends and value the ways in which you are unique. Learn what bullying is and how it might make a person feel. Acknowledge the importance of using kind words, including giving and receiving compliments. 	Art - Shape and colour <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Describe shape, colour and print with Autumn leaves Respond to art created by others, such as Paul Klee 'castle and sun'. Explore print making techniques, including using objects, sponges and potatoes. 
Fun fact <p>Did you know... When it's winter here, it's summer in some other countries! Can you find out where?</p> <p>Can you find a Christmas joke and share it with your teachers?</p>	R.E. - Christmas Story <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What did the angel/s do in the story? Why were they important? Who were Mary and Joseph? Who visited Mary? What did the Shepherds do? <p> Your child may enjoy going to a local carol or Christingle service to hear more of the Christmas story.</p>

English

Our class books this term are:

'**The Singing Mermaid**' by Julia Donaldson, '**Supertato**' by Sue Hendra, '**Super Duper You**' by Sophy Henn, '**How To Wash a Woolly Mammoth**' by Michelle Robinson and Kate Hindley, '**Lost and Found**' by Oliver Jeffers, a range of **Winter Poems** and '**Stickman**' by Julia Donaldson.



We will use these to:

- Discuss the significance of the title and events – becoming familiar with key stories.
- Participate in discussions, presentations and performances.
- Compose a sentence orally before writing.
- Read writing clearly enough to be heard by our peers and the teacher.
- Punctuate sentences using a capital letter, finger spaces and full stops.
- Listen to and discuss a range of poems.

Maths

- **Solve one-step problems that involve addition and subtraction** using concrete objects and pictorial representations.



- **Use number bond knowledge to solve missing number problems** $3 + ? = 10$
- **Recognise and name common 2D and 3D shapes**, including 2D shapes (rectangles, square, circle, triangle) and 3D shapes (cubes, cuboids, spheres and pyramids)
- **Use the correct vocabulary** to describe the properties of 2D shapes (**sides, corners, flat**) and 3D shapes (**faces, edges, vertices, solid**).

Important Information

Class Homework	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Spellings to practise at home given out each week and tested every Friday. Spellings will also be available on the Year 1 page of the school website. ✓ Children should be reading daily at home and verbally answering the questions at the end of their book. Reading records should be filled in at least 3 times per week.
PE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ PE is on Tuesdays and Thursdays <p>Please ensure that PE kits (including suitable footwear and weather appropriate clothing) are labelled and in school all week.</p>
Reading books	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Reading books are changed on Mondays. Please ensure your child has their reading book and reading record in school every day.

Requests to Parents

- Please encourage your child to dress and undress themselves independently.
- Please name everything, including hats and gloves during the colder weather.

Key Dates

- ✓ Week beginning 4th November – School Values week
- ✓ 6th November – Open morning for current parents 9-10am
- ✓ 7th November – Parents' evening 3.30pm to 5.30pm, in person
- ✓ Week beginning 11th November – Prayer space in school
- ✓ 12th November – Parents' evening 4pm to 7pm, online
- ✓ 27th November - EAL coffee morning 8:45 - 9:45am (parents with English as Additional Language)
- ✓ 12th December - Nativity songs 2.45pm (more details to follow)
- ✓ 18th December – School Christmas dinner
- ✓ 20th December - Term finishes at 1.30pm (Pupils return to school on Tuesday 7th January 2025)