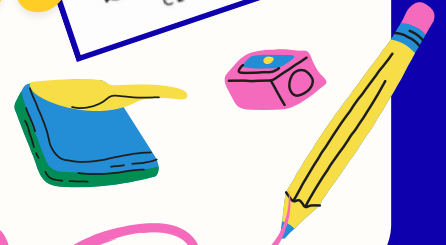




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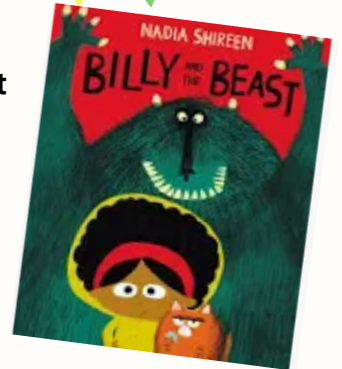


Spring Term

Welcome back Year 1! We hope you all had a lovely half term and are enjoying the warmer, lighter days as we begin to look ahead to spring. The children have returned ready to learn and we are excited for another busy and fun-filled half term together.

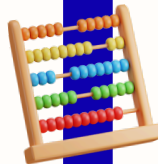
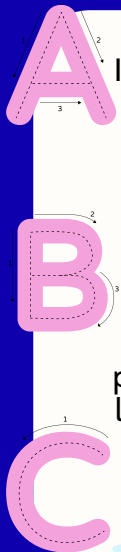


Our book for this half term is Billy and the Beast



English

In English, we will be using the story Billy and the Beast to help us sequence events and retell a story in the correct order. We will be developing our descriptive writing skills and continuing to focus on writing accurate sentences with capital letters, full stops and finger spaces. We will also be extending our sentences using the word "and" to join ideas together. The children will continue to practise the correct letter formation, ensuring letters start in the right place and understand which letters belong to which letter family. We will also be revisiting poetry with an opportunity to learn and perform.



Maths

In Maths, we will continue building confidence with number and place value, as well as developing our addition and subtraction skills within 20. We will also explore simple problem-solving questions and encourage the children to talk about how they found their answers. Clear number formation will continue to be a focus.



Science

This half term we will revisit the seasons, focusing on the transition from winter to spring. The children will learn key vocabulary such as 'hibernate' and observe changes in the weather and environment. We will then move on to learning about the human body and our five senses. There are some exciting hands-on science activities planned to help bring our learning to life!



History

In History, we are learning all about Florence Nightingale and answering the question: What is Florence Nightingale remembered for and what difference did she make? The children will explore her life and the impact she had on nursing and hospitals. We will be using our exciting History box full of artefacts to spark curiosity and develop our questioning skills. This will help us to understand why she is still remembered today.





Computing

In Computing, we will be beginning our first coding unit. The children will learn what instructions are and why they are so important in programming. They will explore how computers follow precise, step-by-step commands by giving and following instructions to complete pictures, solve jigsaw puzzles, and navigate mazes on the laptops.

PSHE



In PSHE, the children will learn what it means to be healthy, including healthy food, exercise and sleep. We will explore hygiene, germs and how to keep clean and safe at home. The children will also reflect on how healthy choices can help them feel good about themselves.



RE

Our RE focus this half term is Judaism. We will be exploring the question: Who is Jewish and what do they believe? The children will learn about key Jewish beliefs, special objects and celebrations.



PE

Our two PE units this half term are Yoga and Invasion Games. In Yoga, the children will develop balance, flexibility and mindfulness. During our Invasion Games unit, pupils will learn about attacking and defending and what it means to be "in possession" of the ball.



Homework and Home Learning

We will continue to send home two reading books each week to support fluency and comprehension. Weekly homework will include a maths activity, a phonics activity and a challenge task to extend learning.



Dates for your diary

- Thursday 5th March - World Book Day
- Friday 6th March - Golden Ticket Wonder Bars
- Friday 13th March - Easter Egg Non-uniform Day
- Tuesday 10th - Monday 16th March - Bookfair
- Friday 13th March - Non-uniform day for Easter Egg donations
- Monday 17th March - Easter Raffle Tickets on Sale
- Friday 20th March - wear red for Red Nose Day
- Monday 23rd & Wednesday 25th March - Parents' Evenings
- Thursday 26th March - Easter Raffle Prize Draw
- Friday 27th March - last day of Spring Term

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