

Year 1 and 2 newsletter

Dates for your diary!

21st April - Bank Holiday

22nd April - School reopens

1st May- Year 1 Derbyshire wildlife trust charity cake sale and non school uniform day

2nd May - Bishop's Mass

5th May- Bank holiday

12th May- Start of KS2 SATs

14th May- Year 1 Derbyshire Wildlife trust Coffee afternoon

22nd May- Year ½ Canaan trust cake sale.

23rd May - Break up for half term

Please check your children's diaries daily as we do put stickers in there with information on.

PE and Forest School is on a Tuesday afternoon and Friday mornings. Please ensure PE kits are in school at these times.

A message for parents

Welcome back! We hope you had a restful Easter!

Please remember that the children are not allowed to bring toys to school and if you choose to send your child with their own snack it needs to be a piece of fruit.

Please ensure you put suncream on in warmer weather or please sign the diary to say you consent to your child having suncream provided by school.

Please ensure that your child is wearing full school uniform. Please contact us if you need any help.

Writing

In our Year 1 and Year 2 writing, we will be writing instructions and a diary entry.

Year 1 writing skills: Joining words using conjunctions. using capital letters, full stops, question marks and exclamation marks, Orally composing and using adjectives. Year 2 writing skills: Exclamation sentences, apostrophes for omission and possession. Planning sentences. Subordinating and coordinating conjunctions and the progressive form of the verb.

Year 1/2

PENTECOST 1

Maths

Year 1- Begin to have a deeper understanding of multiplication and division using arrays, equal groups and repeated addition of the 2, 5, and 10s. Be able to find and recognise $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{4}$ of a shape and number.

Year $\frac{1}{2}$ - Begin to have a deeper understanding of money. Recognising money, counting money in pounds and pence and calculating money. Be able to find a half, a third, a whole and a quarter of a shape and numbers.

Year 2- Begin to have a deeper understanding of fractions by finding a half, a quarter, three quarters and counting in fractions.

Reading

This half term we are reading my bean diary and the tall tale of the giants causeway alongside our regular weekly phonics books. Year 2 reading- check the text makes sense to them and answer questions to check for understanding of a range of texts.

Year 1 comprehension: Composing a sentence orally before writing it and sequencing sentences.

Texts



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Know the story of Pentecost.

Know that Jesus promised a special friend and he sent us the Holy Spirit to guide us.

Know the symbols of the Holy Spirit.

Know that the church is a special place where we meet our friends, sing and say prayers.

Science

Year 1: Planting and Plants (Biology) Where we will be observing change of different flowering plants. Identifying the different parts of plants and trees. Identifying wild and garden flowers and associating them with plants in our local area. Finally, understanding and identifying the difference of deciduous and evergreen trees.

Year 2: Plants, bulbs and seeds (3 weeks) We are going to be identifying and comparing bulbs and seeds for different plants. To explore and answer the question what do plants need to grow and to plan a plant investigation. Growing up (2 weeks) To recognise parent and offspring and to explain the life cycle of humans.

Music

In music we will be focusing on the key vocabulary timbre and rhythmic patterns. We are also going to practise experiencing different roles when performing in a group performance.

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PSHE

Keeping Safe
We will be focusing on what a good or bad secret is, describing what private parts are (Pantosaurus) and to know God created our bodies and we need to take care of them.

Oracy

Throughout our lessons we are going to be implementing our oracy framework which focuses on the children's physical, linguistic, cognitive, social and emotional development.

History/Geography

In History (3 weeks) We will be exploring the Wright Brothers.

In Geography (2 weeks) We are going to be exploring Northern Ireland's location and the physical and human features of the country.

Art

In Art this half term we will be focusing on different mechanisms. We are going to be making a very exciting moving monster. We will be creating our own design after looking at objects and how they move.

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Computing

Year 1: Creating media-Digital writing. We are going to be practically exploring the computer to write, add and remove text, change the font and compare how typing on a computing is different/similar to writing on paper.

Year 2: Creating media- Digital writing. We are going to be exploring how music can make you feel by experimenting with sound using a computer and create musical patterns and musical for a purpose using our technology skills.

PE

Year 1 and 2 will both be focusing on athletics by exploring how to run at different speeds, developing balance, changing directions quickly, hopping/jumping and various throwing techniques.

They will also be practicing the fundamentals for net and wall games within first grade sports .

Forest School

Forest Schools is a child-centred learning process, providing learner inspired, hands-on experiences in the natural environment. The children will be given the opportunity to take part in a 1 hour session each week. The session will be child initiated that will run alongside an activity to help develop social and emotional skills, support wellbeing, while also exploring nature.

This term the children will be experiencing tool talk, how to safely handle tools, to use a peeler and bow saw and to work with a partner to successfully drill and cut wood.