



Summer 1 Learning Overview

Art:

The children will be learning about the artist Lowry. They will:

- Mix paint from Lowry Colours.
- Paint a seascape.
- Draw simple buildings.
- Point out the matchstick figures in Lowry's paintings.
- Draw simple matchstick figures.

Science: We will be learning about plants.

Year 1:

In this unit about plants, children will learn to name the basic parts of a plant, including seeds. They will have the opportunity to plant their own seeds and to make observations of how they grow over time. Children will also learn to identify, name and describe a variety of garden and wild plants as well as evergreen and deciduous trees.

Year 2:

In this unit, children will learn what plants need to stay healthy. They will have the opportunity to carry out their own investigations into what plants need to grow well. Children will also closely observe the inside of a seed and learn about the life cycle of a plant. They will also learn how plants look when they don't get the things they need. In their final lesson, children will learn how plants have adapted to live in different environments around the world.

English:

This half term we will be looking at a range of genres again. We will look at the features of fairy tales and will retell the story of The Magic Porridge Pot with our own twists. The children will explore non-fiction writing through learning about ocean pollution and writing news reports based on the facts they find.

Maths: Year 1

We will be finishing Mass and Volume from last term. Then we will be moving onto the following units:

- Multiplication and Division
- Fractions

Geography:

This term our theme is:

The Seaside

This Beside the Seaside unit will teach the children about the geographical features of the seaside, both human and physical. They will learn about seaside environments; finding out where they are in the United Kingdom and seaside resorts nearest their own locality using maps, aerial photograph, webcams and developing their key vocabulary. Children will learn about the similarities and differences between seaside resorts and their own locality, looking at how resorts have changed over time.

Maths: Year 2

We will be learning about fractions for the whole of this term. More detail will be provided via the homework sheet your child will be given every Monday.





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PE:

Every Thursday afternoon, the children will go swimming at Willowburn Leisure Centre.

Every Friday, they will be learning about circuit training. This unit is designed to build the overall fitness of your children through a circuit of eight activities, each of which is based on a different skill. Fun practices are used each week before the children are introduced to two of the circuit activities. Many opportunities are provided for the children to watch others and to evaluate their own performance. This unit has a strong health and fitness focus, and the children will learn about the effects of exercise on their body and about the role of the human heart.

ICT: Year 1

The children will look at animated story books. This unit will provide an opportunity for the children to develop the skills to create, organise, store, manipulate and retrieve digital content through the creation of their own animated story book. They will be using the 2Create a Story software on Purple Mash.

ICT: Year 2

The children will be looking at creating pictures using the tool 2Paint a picture. They will look at the work of the following artists:

- Seurat
- Piet Mondrian
- William Morris

Religious Education:

We will be exploring the question:

What is the good news Jesus brings?

The children will learn that:

- Christians believe Jesus brings good news for all people.
- For Christians, this good news includes being loved by God, and being forgiven for bad things.
- Christians believe Jesus is a friend to the poor and friendless.
- Christians believe Jesus' teachings make people think hard about how to live and show them the right way.

PSHE:

The theme for this half term is VIP. We expect the children to:

- Identify who the special people in their lives are and explain why they are important to them;
- Explain why having a family network is important;
- Know what makes someone a good friend and demonstrate these qualities;
- Put positive resolution techniques into practice;
- Cooperate with others to complete a task;
- Identify several ways to show others that they care and understand the importance of doing this.

Music:

We will be looking at the unit:
Having Fun with Improvisation.

