

We hope that this leaflet will give you more of an idea of what your child will be learning about this term. Our Autumn term topic is 'Wonderful Weather' and then after half-term we will be moving onto the topic of 'Why Did London Burn?'

Please come and see us if you have any worries or any questions.

Many thanks for your support.

Mrs Shakespeare, Mrs Shaw and Miss Blackburn

(Class 1 teachers and Class 1 teaching assistant)

Please listen to your child read on a regular (ideally daily) basis. Please can you write a small comment in the spaces provided in the yellow reading records so we know how your child has got on with the book/any problems they have had. We will have a reward chart for the children so they will continue to be rewarded for reading regularly at home.

Year 1 and 2 will bring spellings home on a Tuesday and the spelling test will then be on the following Monday. Homework for Year 1 and 2 will also be sent home on a Thursday and it needs to be handed in by the following Tuesday.

PE sessions are on a Tuesday and a Friday afternoon and your child will need to wear a full P.E kit into school for these days.

Our library day is on a Thursday and your child can choose a library book to bring home on this day.

Churcham Primary School



Class 1

Autumn 2023 Overview

English: In English, we will begin by writing labels, captions and lists and this will all be linked to our topic of the weather. We will then move onto reading, following and writing our own instructions. We will also write our own harvest/autumn poems.

Top Tip: Discuss the weather with your child. Watch the weather forecasts together and look at the weather forecast on an APP. You could even keep a weather diary at home!

Maths: In Maths, we will be looking at place value within 10 - Year 1 and within 100 -Year 2. We will be counting, reading, and writing the numbers, representing numbers using different resources and comparing numbers and groups of objects. We will then move on to addition and subtraction. Reception children will be exploring pattern, shape, comparing amounts and learning numbers through play.

Top Tip: Talk about numbers in the environment with your child when you are out and about, such as on houses, road signs and in the supermarkets. A

Topic: Our topic for this half-term is 'Wonderful Weather.' In Geography, we will be locating parts of the UK and naming the continents/oceans of the world. We will compare the weather here to the weather in other parts of the UK. After-half term, the children will then go onto focus on learning about the Great Fire of London. They will learn about what happened during this event from the past and they will pace these events on a simple timeline.

In Art, the children will be looking at the work of Kandinsky and they will be creating their own Art work based on his work. We will also be doing observational drawings of Autumn leaves. In PSHE, Year 1 and 2 will be exploring different feelings and friendships they have. Reception children will be talking about what makes them special and how they are different to others.



Science: In Science our learning will be linked to seasonal changes and the season of Autumn. We will look for the changes around us that tell us that it is Autumn time. We will be observing the weather and rainfall through practical activities. We will explore how the day length is affected by the seasons.

Top tip: Discuss the weather with your child. You could talk about suitable clothes for different weathers. Go for a walk and see if you can spot signs of Autumn.

The website below has some lovely ideas that you might like to try while out and about. If you try any ideas such as making an autumn leaf crown or leaf animals etc, it would be lovely if you send in a photo on Class Dojo for us to see.

<https://www.treetoolsforschools.org.uk/activitymenu/?cat=autumn>

Music: In Music, all of our learning will be focused on the song Hands, Feet, Heart which is based on South African music. We will be learning about the pulse, rhythm, and pitch of the music as well as learning to sing, play, improvise and compose with the song.

ICT: In ICT, we will be talking about how to stay safe on the internet. We will also be learning to log into Purple Mash and explore coding through Purple Mash activities.

useful maths website that you might like to look at with your child

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/>

Top Tip:

Create your own Autumn picture/collage using natural materials (e.g. using Autumn leaves). It would be great to see some of these creations-please send in pictures on Class Dojo for us to see!



RE: In R.E, we will look at the religion of Christianity. We will explore what Christians believe their God is like through listening to bible stories and through exploring music and prayers.

