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Year 1's topic for the Autumn Term is...

## Land of the Giants

In September we will be starting our English coverage by looking at nursery rhymes and traditional tales, with a particular focus on Jack and the Beanstalk. As well as writing narratives, the children will learn how to write instructions.

Within Mathematics, we will be looking at place value, addition and subtraction, and shape.

In our Science lessons, we will be learning all about animals including humans. The children will learn to recognise animals and categorise them according to their features. We will also begin our yearlong study of seasonal changes; exploring how the weather changes throughout the year.

The children will be developing their basic computing skills, such as logging on, keyboard skills and keeping safe on the computers. They will also be programming using Bee Bots.

Our Geography lessons will link to our Science, as the children will be identifying features of hot and cold places, including the people and animals that live there. For History, we will be exploring the changes between your childhood experiences and opportunities and those of your children, including your time at primary school.

Within Art, the children will be studying different artists including Henri Rousseau and his painting "Tiger in a Tropical Storm". In D&T, the children will design, create and evaluate clay tiles depicting animals from hot or cold places.

PE in the Autumn term will take place both inside and outdoors. Please provide your child with a change of white socks and a pair of trainers (not daps) for safety purposes. The children will continue to develop their fundamental skills, including throwing, catching and travelling. These skills will then be applied to gymnastics.

In Music lessons the children will be learning about interrelated dimensions of music, such as pulse, rhythm and pitch. They will be using their voices expressively and collaboratively through speaking and singing.

Across our Religious Education lessons the children will explore the questions, "What does it mean to belong to a faith community?" and "What do Christians believe God is like?"

On Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September we will be holding our Year 1 Curriculum evening. We will share further information about Year 1 and how you can support your child at home.

We hope you have a lovely summer holiday and look forward to seeing you in September. ☺

Miss Pollard and Mr Marchment