



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



Paddington goes to London

In September our English lessons will be based around the stories of Paddington Bear by Michael Bond. We will be writing narratives about his character and writing instructions for making a marmalade sandwich. We'll also be looking at Poetry and Nursery Crimes!

In 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 year-long 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, using a mouse, keyboard skills and keeping safe on the computers. They will also be programming and using Bee-Bots.

Within Geography, the children will be naming and locating the countries and capital cities of the United Kingdom, particularly focusing on London. They will also learn the names of the surrounding seas. In History, the children will be learning about Samuel Pepys and the Great Fire of London. They will build their own houses to create Pudding Lane.

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 Wednesday 19th 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 break and we look forward to seeing you in September.

Mrs Migliaccio and Mrs Edwards