

## Chapter 1 Learning Journey

**English - Old Bear** This half term, the children will be studying the book Old Bear by Jane Hissey. Pupils will study the vocabulary from the book and practise their writing skills from EYFS. The children will write a finding narrative story and a message to the toys. In reading, the children will study a selection of fiction and non-fiction to develop their comprehension skills. For Phonics the children will work in their RWI groups on Set 1, Set 2 or Set 3 sounds.

**Mathematics** This half term, the children will work on numbers to 10. They will represent, compare and explore numbers within 10, one more and one less and doubling and halving. We will then look at addition and subtraction within 10 where they will represent and explain addition and subtraction, commutativity, addition and subtraction facts. Finally, this half term they will identify, describe, sort and classify 2-D and 3-D shapes, investigate repeating patterns, use and follow instructional and positional language.

**Science** This half term, we will be exploring the amazing world of plants! We'll be learning all about how they grow, how they make their own food through photosynthesis, and even how they communicate with each other. Along the way, we'll explore the different parts of plants, from the roots that anchor them to the leaves that capture sunlight, and we'll uncover some fascinating facts about how they adapt to survive in all sorts of environments.

**Computing Online Safety** - This half term, pupils will be exploring the online learning platform 'Purple Mash'. They will learn how to independently log in to the site using their unique usernames and passwords and also will begin to explore some of the key features and tools that will be used throughout the year. Pupils will then move on to learning about safety when working online and will explore technology and how it is used outside of the classroom in day-to-day life.

**Art/ Design Technology** Andy Goldsworthy - Children will think about the colours, materials and shapes Goldsworthy uses in his art work. They will examine several of his sculptures and use them as inspiration for their own creations. The pupils will spend time outdoors creating replicas of his work. Children will take inspiration from the world around them and will begin to add texture into their creations.

**History** This half term Year 1 pupils will be introduced to Queen Elizabeth II. They will be learning about what life was like for her and explore the time line of her life. The children will be introduced to the Royal Family and will explore what key terminology means such as Duke and Duchess. They will be familiar with the term coronation and also explore the education of Queen Elizabeth II.

**Spanish Me Presento** - This half term, Year 1 pupils will be introduced to Spanish for the first time. They will learn about Spanish culture and traditions and will find out how to greet each other in Spanish. Pupils will also be able to say their name and how they feel and count from 1-6. They will begin to recognise that Spanish pronunciation is different to English pronunciation.

**Religious Education** This year, children will begin their RE studies considering the importance of showing respect when learning about and from religion. They will think about how the world began, looking at a variety of creation stories from a number of faiths before moving onto thinking about what people believe God looks like.

**Music Pulse through Play** - Children will begin to explore pulse - the heartbeat of the music. They will follow heartbeat notation and begin to move with a sense of timing to demonstrate pulse. They will begin to sing with increasing independence and prepare a song for their Harvest assembly.

**Physical Education** This half term, the children will be developing their creativity and rhythm as they take part in Dance. They will be exploring the topic of the Seaside and will enjoy performing different movements and sequences to music as they think about what they do at the beach. This topic will focus on spatial awareness, moving in different ways to the music and cooperating with a partner to develop a sequence to perform.

**LC +** This half term the pupils will become 'Cartoon Creators', we will be thinking about our favourite cartoon characters and what makes them special! The children will create their favourite characters and create role play around them. Furthermore, pupils will create a variety of their own characters and in groups create their own cartoon story! There will be lots of creativity and art activities during LC + this half term!

