YEAR GROUP OVERVIEW

North East Learning Trust

Year 1 – Autumn 1

English - Reading
Reading is an invaluable part of your child's education and is key to learning in all subjects across the curriculum. We aim to develop our children into confident and fluent readers, and to broaden their vocabulary, by exposing them to a rich diet of high-quality texts from a range of different genres. Reading is taught in Key Stage One through the Read Write Inc. (RWI) phonics scheme. Pupils access daily phonics lessons which are targeted at pupils' individual stage of reading development. Pupils learn how to segment, and blend sounds to read words.

English - Writing
Pupils write texts using this half term's texts as a stimulus through our NELT Key Stage One Teaching and Learning Cycle. They will learn key grammar and punctuation knowledge within writing lessons which they will use within their writing.

Simple Sentences and Captions: Children will be learning to build basic sentences using 'Hold a Sentence' and 'Fred Talk' for spelling as well as learning to use capital letters, finger spaces and full stops.

Maths
The main focus of maths teaching and learning Key Stage One is to ensure that pupils develop confidence and mental fluency with whole numbers, counting and place value. This will involve working with numerals, words and the four operations, including with practical resources [for example, concrete objects and measuring tools]. Within lessons and in the classroom environment there will be lots of opportunities for repetition and practise of the skills learned as this is key to securing their knowledge for rapid recall and application in other contexts.

Over Autumn 1, Year One will learn and practise their skills in understanding Place Value within 10.

Science
Animals Including Humans: Over this half term, pupils will learn to identify and classify animals into their groups; mammals, fish, amphibians, reptiles and birds.

Across all science units, children will learn about and have the opportunity to learn about working scientifically and will have opportunities to develop their skills in:

- Asking simple questions and recognising that they can be answered in different ways
- Observing closely, using simple equipment

- Performing simple tests
- Identifying and classifying
- Using their observations and ideas to suggest answers to questions Ø Gathering and recording data to help in answering questions.

Geography
Our Place in the World: This unit introduces key terminology like human and physical features and gives pupils the opportunity to focus on the world as they know it: their school and their local area. Pupils will look at aerial photographs and explore maps, developing key skills to enable them to expand their knowledge beyond local level as they move through their geography learning journey.

Design and Technology
Our Food: In this unit children will learn investigate where sources of food come from. Design and make a sandwich and evaluate. Consider the packaging of items.

Computing
Creative Computing: The children will use Purple Mash to develop their mouse, keyboard and basic computing skills using creative tools. Children will use the 2DIY tools to paint, create jigsaws and make simple drag and drop games.

Music
Hey You: The children will be introduced to Listening to & Appraising music and learn the interrelated dimensions of music through games and singing.

PSHE – Being Me in My World
We follow the Jigsaw scheme of learning for PSHE sessions.
In this unit, the children are introduced to Jigsaw Jack and discuss their Jigsaw Charter. As part of this, they discuss rights and responsibilities, and choices and consequences. The children learn about being special and how to make everyone feel safe in their class as well as recognising their own safety.

Religious Education (R.E.)
What do Christians believe God is like?: Within this unit, pupils find out what parables are, and that Christians believe these stories were told by Jesus to teach his followers about God. They learn about the parable of the Lost Son and what this story teaches many Christians about God, including God being loving and forgiving. Pupils think carefully about what it means for Christians to ask for forgiveness from God and the promise that people will be welcomed back into God's family. They also learn the story of Jonah and the Big Fish and find out about how many Christians put their beliefs into practice through worship.

Physical Education (P.E.)
This half term the children will be learning the skills around fundamentals and team building. The sessions aim to begin to master fundamental movement skills; running, jumping, throwing and enjoy communicating and collaborating with each other.