



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the new school year! We are looking forward to a year of exciting learning in Year One. This half term our main topic is 'Our local area'. Below is a topic map outlining the areas of learning we intend to cover this term. A copy of this document can also be found on our website. **PE lessons** this year will take place on a **Thursday**. Homework will be set every **Monday on MS Teams** and other websites such as **My Maths** or **Purple Mash**. Thank you.

Miss Gilby - Class teacher

MATHS

In Maths, we will learn about number and place value

- We will practise reading and writing numbers up to 20 and beyond. Children will sequence and order numbers.
- We will also work on adding and subtracting numbers, focusing on number bonds to 10 and 20.
- We will learn about the properties of 2D shapes, Ordinal numbers, position and direction.

Year One

Our Local Area

Autumn Term 1



MUSIC

This half term, we will be learning about tone, exploring long and short sounds and learning songs based on Black History Month.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

We have begun the term by learning about our class saint, **Saint Kizito**, the school's **mission statement** and our Catholic Social Teaching Principle, **Participation**.



In Religious Education, we will also be learning about **God's Creation**, how we care for the world and the creation story.

COMPUTING

We will be exploring Purple Mash and a unit entitled **Creative Computing**. Throughout the year we will also be learning about online safety.

SCIENCE

This half term, Year One will be learning about **seasonal changes**, looking at **Autumn**. In addition, children will explore **Materials**. In this topic, children will learn how to:

- distinguish between an object and the material from which it is made.
- identify and name a variety of everyday materials including wood, plastic, glass, metal, water and rock.
- describe the simple properties of a variety of everyday materials.
- compare and group together a variety of everyday materials on the basis of their simple properties.

WRITING AND READING

To start our Year One writing journeys, we will be Inspired by our Whole School Text: **The Day You Begin** by Jaqueline Woodson.

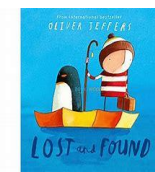
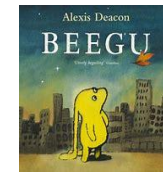
Then, throughout Autumn Term 1, we will be exploring the following texts:

- '**Beegu**' by Alexis Deacon
- '**Yeti and the Bird**' by Nadia Shireen.
- '**Lost and Found**' by Oliver Jeffers.

Children will work towards:

- Creating posters
- Writing letters of advice
- Writing an alien poem and story

Key skills children will develop this term are:



ART AND DESIGN

In Art, Year One children will be developing their drawing skills to produce their own self-portraits.

PSHE

In PSHE, we will begin learning about **Growth Mindset** and learn about the brain through the MindUp curriculum.

SPORTS AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Our focus will be on **Games**. Children will be using their skills of throwing towards a target. Children will develop their ability to work in pairs and manage differences.

HISTORY - GEOGRAPHY

In Geography, we will be exploring **the local area**.

This will include a local area walk in which the children will observe land use.

The children will create a map of the of our local area. The children will also use atlases to identify the four countries that form the United Kingdom.