



Up and Away

Year 1 - Summer 1



English

This term we will be exploring the text 'Beegu' written by Alexis Deacon. We will be using adjectives and conjunctions to extend our writing and give more detail. We will also be writing instructions for Beegu about how to play playground games. Our writing will include describing Beegu, making lost posters, creating our very own planet and writing our own sequels.

We will also be writing about our visit to Nower Wood, recounting events from our visit.

In our poetry work we will be learning and performing a poem called What Asana Wanted for her Birthday by Grace Nichols.



Science

This half term we will be looking at different materials. We will be learning to sort and compare different objects based on their properties. We also think about where different materials come from and how we can use them based on their properties.

At home

Begin to discuss at some of the materials used to make objects at home. Think about why we use certain materials for certain jobs - what makes them good to use?

Geography

This half term we are learning all about maps. We will be creating our own maps of the school and learning how to create and add keys. We will be exploring map symbols on OS maps and learning to use a compass to find different directions. Finally we will be following a map to get to the park and identifying human and physical features on the way.

At home

Can you create a map of your house/flat? What features might you add and what symbols might you use to represent different things?



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Art

This term we will be concentrating on art. We will be revisiting colour mixing and learning about primary and secondary colours. We will use the work of Kandinsky to inspire our own colour wheels. We will then be learning about the work of Andy Warhol and create our own repeating prints using the bright colours found in his artwork.

At home

Could you try printing a repeating patterns at home? Use a potato, sponge or other object to create a bright picture, in the style of Andy Warhol.



RE

We start the term by visiting the NW Surrey Synagogue where we will be learning more about how Jewish people worship. Then we finding out about the Torah and finding out why it is important to Jews. We will also be learning how Jewish people celebrate Pesach.

At home

Can you find out more about how Judaism? Visit the library or there are a range of BBC Bitesize KS1 video clips online you can watch.



PSHE and Values

IN PSHE we will be thinking about why we are special and what makes us an individual. We will be using the story Look Up by Nathan Bryon as the basis for our work. We will also be thinking about different emotions such as pride and jealousy and how they make our body feel as well as exploring why kindness is so important.

Maths

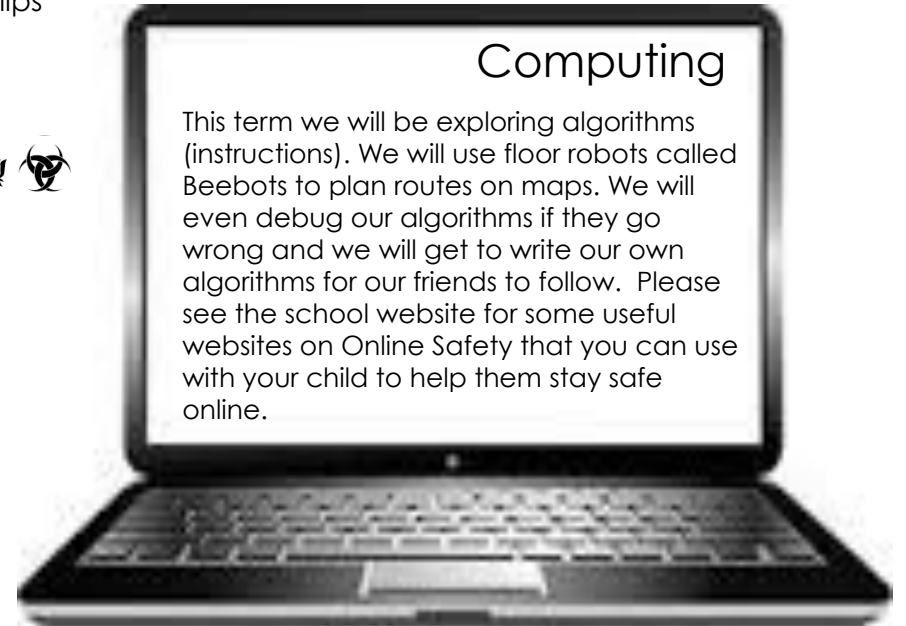


We will be working on calculation skills in maths this half term, continuing to learn to add, subtract, multiply and divide using a range of resources. You can help your child develop their division skills by making sure they can share a group of objects equally or can sort them into groups. Please continue to help your child to count in 2s, 5s and 10s and recognise the common features of different multiples.

We will then be introducing simple fractions. We will be finding out about halves and quarters and finding these fractions of shapes and quantities. We will also be learning about the vocabulary related to capacity, volume, position and direction.

Computing

This term we will be exploring algorithms (instructions). We will use floor robots called Beebots to plan routes on maps. We will even debug our algorithms if they go wrong and we will get to write our own algorithms for our friends to follow. Please see the school website for some useful websites on Online Safety that you can use with your child to help them stay safe online.





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Music

The half term our unit is called Your Imagination. We will be listening to songs with this theme from Mary Poppins, Charlie and the Chocolate Factory and Aladdin amongst others.

We will be developing our skills in rhythm, pulse and tempo and using our voices and instruments to perform and improvise. We will learn a song called Your Imagination to support this learning.

PE

We will be working with the coaches this half term on our tennis skills. We will be starting a new gymnastics unit, starting to use larger apparatus to develop different movements. We will continue to have our yoga sessions each week.

Phonics, Spelling and Handwriting

This term we are recapping graphemes we have already learned in preparation for the Phonic Screening Check after half term. We will be sharing weekly home learning sheets with you which show more detail about what we are doing in class.

Week 1

We are reading and spelling words with 'ay' 'a_e' 'ea' and 'e' this week. Our tricky words are **eye, sure, pure, said** and **were**.

Week 2

This week we will be revising 'ie', 'i_e', 'o_e' and 'o'. Our tricky words will be **were, here, one, says** and we will be practising forming numbers 1-20.

Week 3

This week we are revising some of the trickiest sounds - 'ue', 'u_e', 'ew' and 'aw'. Our tricky words are **today, their, people, your** and we will be practising writing 'ch' unjoined. we will be joining letters 'ch'.

Week 4

This week we are reading 'ea' again but with a focus on the 'e' sound in head. Also 'ir' 'ou' and 'oy'. Our tricky words will be **any, many, who, whole** and will be learning to join our first letters - 'ch'. form 'ai' unjoined.

Week 5

Our graphemes this week are 'l' as in tiger, 'ow' as in snow, 'a' as in table and 'u' as in unicorn. Our tricky words will be **two, eye, thought, through** and will be writing the letters ai unjoined.

Week 6

We end the half term with 'ph' 'wh' 'ie' as in field and 'g' as in giant. Our tricky words are **friend, once, our, because**. We will be learning to join the letters 'ai'.