

# Year 1 Autumn Term 1

## English

In writing we are exploring our feelings and emotions with the Colour Monster. Ask me how I am feeling and what colour my colour monster might be!

We will then be moving on to story writing, using our family and familiar settings as inspiration.

Anything we can do to help us with our fine motor control and pinchy pencil fingers will really help us develop our writing!

## We are reading...



In our reading practise sessions, we will be working on applying our phonics knowledge from Year R and continuing to develop fluency. Thank you for reading with your children at home and adding it to Boom Reader.

## Maths

Using White Rose Maths, we will be exploring:

- Place Value (within 10)
- Addition and Subtraction

Numbers are everywhere and it is really easy to use our environment to help us. Talk to your child about the numbers on houses or challenge them to see if they can tell you how many peas are on their plates!

## Art

In Art, we are learning about the artist Frida Kahlo. We will be exploring colour and pattern to create our own self-portrait in the style of Kahlo.

We will have an art gallery event on 11<sup>th</sup> December where you will be invited in and will be able to buy some framed art by your child, an up and coming artist!

## Science

In Science we are exploring the Seasons, looking particularly at how the weather is affected and how it changes throughout the year. We will be working scientifically by using our amazing outside space to make observations of the seasonal changes that we can see around us.

Go on an Autumn walk with your child. Can they use their senses to tell you what they are experiencing?





## Geography

We are using maps and aerial photography to look at where we live and what we can find in our local community.

Next time you are using a map to navigate (digital or old-school!) talk to your child about what it shows us.

You could go for a walk around Fernhurst and talk to your child about what they can find in the village.

## PE

Our PE lessons are on a Monday and Tuesday, please ensure children are wearing their PE kits on these days.

We will be looking at the fundamentals of movement and developing our relationships with our peers through team building exercises.

## Music

We will be using our bodies to explore music and think about how it makes us feel. We will be learning about the rhythm, pulse, timbre, tempo and pitch and creating performances to represent different themes, such as Under the Sea.

## PSHE and RE

Helping us to look after ourselves and understand our needs, we will be looking at how we can stay healthy, focusing on brushing our teeth and why oral hygiene is important.

We will also be looking at friendship and how we can be good friends to our peers.

In R.E we are exploring Special Places and how this looks to different people depending on their cultures and beliefs.

## Computing

We will be looking at Digital Writing and how this looks different to the writing we usually do using pencils and pens.

We will be exploring keyboards and how to use one to write on computers, looking at the different symbols and what they mean.

## Dates

Every Friday at 2:45 – Family Read

15<sup>th</sup> September – Parent workshop (phonics) at 2:00, repeated at 5:30

18<sup>th</sup> September – Parent workshop (wellbeing) at 9:00, repeated at 5:30

23<sup>rd</sup> September – Working Party Funday

23<sup>rd</sup> September – First Aid course for parents

28<sup>th</sup> September – Open Classroom event at 2:30

9<sup>th</sup> October – School photo day

10<sup>th</sup> October – Visit from Zoolab

12<sup>th</sup> October – digital safety workshop and UK Harvest assembly

16<sup>th</sup> October – celebrating 150 years of Fernhurst Primary

13<sup>th</sup> October – FOFs Disco

19<sup>th</sup> October – Dogs Trust workshop