



The Seasons



Year 1 – Autumn Term 2 2021

Science: Seasonal Changes

Geography: Human and physical geography – identifying seasonal and daily weather patterns in the UK and around the world.

Computing: Computer science – grouping data

P.E: Athletics – throwing, running, jumping, balance, co-ordination, changing direction and speed

Art and Design: Printing – Using the natural environment to make marks, roll print and making rubbings to collect textures and patterns from our environment

Design and Technology: Developing, planning and communicating ideas

Core Text: Hurricane by David Wiesner

Glossary

**The key words we will need to be able to use,
in both discussion and in our writing:**

Word	Definition
Autumn	
Spring	
Summer	
Winter	
Seasons	
Weather	
Natural;	
Man-made	
Texture	
Evergreen	
Deciduous	
Measure	
Hibernating	
Wild	
Equator	

Please help your child to complete the glossary and be able to use and spell the words. Feel free to add any additional topic related vocabulary that you think of.

During this second half term of Year 1, your child will be studying subjects under the theme of Seasons

They will be taking part in a series of exciting activities, which include:

- Looking at weather patterns in the UK and around the world
- Observing changes across the four seasons.
- Finding out about different trees – Deciduous and Evergreen
- Finding out about nocturnal animals and hibernation
- Finding out about the North and South pole
- Experiments with ice and rainfall
- Looking at the book; Hurricane by David Wiesner in our Take One Book sessions.

Your child needs your help and involvement. Please get involved by:

- Measure rainfall with your child
- Go to the library and find books about the weather and seasons
- Explore different parts of the world and their weather including hot and cold parts of the world
- Look at the North and South pole on Google Earth
- Discuss with your child the changes in the environment during each season
- Go on a nature walk and talk about what you can see
- Research some of the words in the glossary box
- Support with a research project on seasons (information will be sent out in the first homework flyer)

What does your child know about Seasons?

Before the Topic...

After the topic...

Sit down with your child and help them record what they know about the topics, before and then after they have learnt about it at school.

What else is happening?

Values

Each month we will focus on a new value which we will develop and encourage in all areas of school life. Please support your child and encourage them to show their values at home. Please let us know if they do!

Our Value for November will be Politeness. Please talk to your child about how to be polite and how to show politeness.

Jigsaw - RSHE

This half term, we will be looking at 'Celebrating Difference'. In this unit, we will talk about similarities and differences between ourselves and our friends. We will look at differences between our peers and how we are all different and that is special. We will look at ways to make new friends and how it feels and finish with understanding that differences make us all special and unique.

Religious Education

This half-term, your child will be learning about Christianity.

Homework

Every half term, we will set a homework project relating to our topic. Your child can present this project in whichever they wish to. You can find some ideas on your homework flyer. A weekly flyer is sent home on a Friday. This contains up to date information and dates for the forthcoming week.

Please support your child by making sure that they read at least three times per week. This can be their school book or any other reading related activity. Please record all of these in your child's reading record. Books will only be changed if the reading record has been signed.

Books need to be given in on a Monday, they will be changed and sent home again the same day.

Your child has logins for Bug Club, Teach Your Monster to Read, Num-Bots, Education City and Purple Mash stuck on the inside page of their reading record.

Clubs

Breakfast Club	Every morning 7.45 – 8.50am
Lower Site After School Club	Every Day 3.15 – 6.15pm
Upper Site After School Club	Every day 3.15 – 6.15pm

Forthcoming events

Friday 22nd October	End of Autumn Term 1
Monday 1st November	Start of Autumn Term 2
Tuesday 9th November	Nasal Flu Vaccination – Rec to Year 6
Wednesday 8th December	Aladdin – Pantomime – Nursery, Year 1, 2, 6
Thursday 9th December	Aladdin – Pantomime – Rec, Year 3, 4, 5
Tuesday 21st December	End of Autumn Term 2 – 2.15pm Finish
Wednesday 5th January	Inset Day
Thursday 6th January	Start of Spring Term 1