



Ordsall Primary School



What we are learning during the Summer term in Year 1 ...

English

During the Summer term, we will continue to apply our phonics skills in our writing while developing our use of capital letters, full stops, and clear finger spaces to create accurate sentences. We will also focus on composing longer pieces of writing, linking ideas together to form coherent texts and carefully considering our word choices to create greater effect. Throughout the term, we will read a wide range of texts during guided reading, Read and Relax sessions, and English lessons. These will include both stories and non-fiction texts, helping to broaden our understanding and enjoyment of different types of writing.

Maths

This term, we will continue developing our understanding of multiplication and division. We will practise counting in 2s, 5s and 10s, and explore how numbers can be organised into equal groups and arrays. We will also begin learning about fractions—what they are and how to find fractions of shapes and quantities. We will then spend time strengthening our understanding of position and direction while developing our mathematical vocabulary in this area. During our place value work, we will extend our knowledge of numbers up to 100, building confidence with all two-digit numbers. Finally, we will continue learning about measures, focusing on money and telling the time.

Science

In Science, we will continue learning about the seasons by exploring what happens to the world around us during the summer and comparing it with the seasons we have already studied. We will also spend time outdoors learning about plants and flowers, identifying and classifying them into groups such as wild and garden plants, as well as evergreen and deciduous trees.

History

In History, we will turn the clocks back to learn about the Great Fire of London. We will begin using historical sources to help us understand what happened, how the fire started, why it spread so quickly, and how it led to important changes in London and across Great Britain, including improvements to buildings and the fire service. We will also learn about Thomas Farriner and Samuel Pepys, and the roles they played during this time. Our experience for this half term will be a Great Fire of London drama workshop in school. More details to follow.

Geography

In Geography, we will develop our knowledge of the United Kingdom by learning about the four countries that make it up, their capital cities, and the seas that surround our island.

Art

This term, we will study the work of a range of print artists and share our views and opinions, discussing what we like and dislike about their work. We will explore where they find their inspiration and how they create their prints. Using techniques such as stamping, pressing and rubbing, we will then design and create our own prints.

Design & Technology

This term, we will be learning to work with textiles, exploring different methods for joining materials together and adding embellishments as we design and create our own hand puppets.

Computing

We will be learning how to create digital media, focusing on developing our writing skills using a computer. We will become familiar with the keyboard, practise typing text, explore the toolbar, and learn how to edit and change our writing using a range of tools. Later in the term, we will also learn how to programme a simple animation using Scratch.

Religious Education

In RE, we will consolidate our learning from across the year on Judaism and Christianity. We will be trying to reorganise our visit to the church and will hopefully get to go inside and see all the features we have been learning about.

RSHE/RESPECT

We will be learning about how to look after our own health and wellbeing. We will explore ways to keep our bodies and minds healthy and understand why this is important in our daily lives. We will also learn about different emotions, how they can feel in our bodies, and ways to keep ourselves safe in a range of situations.



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Music

We will continue to use our new Sing Up programme, where we will listen to different styles of music, keep the beat, learn songs, and perform using untuned instruments.

PE

In PE, we will be engaging in Outdoor and adventurous activities as well as perfecting our Athletic skills to prepare ourselves for sports day. We will also be learning to play dodgeball and increasing our flexibility through yoga.