

# Year 1 Spring Term Curriculum Map

## English

Our first theme this term is Similarities and Differences. We will read *Beegu* by Alexis Deacon. Our writing will include an alien story, commands, a letter and poetry. We will also read *The Odd Egg* by Emily Gravett. Our non-fiction writing will include diaries and certificates. In the second half of the term, we will read *The Sea Saw* by Tom Percival and our writing will include writing stories in character.

## Maths

We will continue to understand place value with addition and subtraction within 20. We will move on to develop our place value within 50. Later, we will use practical work to understand the concepts of length and height and mass and volume. We will continue to discuss our mathematical ideas and findings and will learn to explain our answers with more confidence.

## Science

In *Animals Including Humans*, we will learn about the senses. We will identify areas associated with each sense and recognise how they are useful in everyday life. We will use our measuring skills, collect data and record results. In *Comparing Animals*, we will identify and describe the features of mammals and reptiles. In all our lessons, we will continue to think like scientists by asking questions and deciding the best way to plan our investigations.

## Geography

We will answer "What is the weather like in the UK?" by observing daily weather patterns and we will also describe seasonal changes. We will use maps to locate cities in the UK and begin to use the four main compass points.

## History

In the topic "How Have Toys Changed?" we will think about how some toys and ideas have changed while others remain the same. We will place events in time order.

## Art

Linking with our Science topic, we will explore Sculpture and 3D through working with paper. We will learn different techniques for shaping paper and plan a model using drawings.

## DT

Linking to our History topic of toys, we will draw plans and make puppets using a range of methods of joining fabric. We will use our joining skills to add decorations.

## PE

In PE we will be exploring functional movement and developing our directional awareness through dance. We will also build on gymnastic skills such as bending, stretching and balancing. We will develop our ability to follow instructions and be able to explain what happens when we exercise.

## Music

This term we will be learning about beat and rhythm. We will also be changing and combining sounds. This includes learning about dynamics (loud and quiet), musical symbols and descriptive music. In singing, we will focus on breathing and pitch.

## PSHE

Our focus this term is on respectful relationships. We will learn about celebrating similarities and differences, how to remain safe online and identifying people and places that make us feel safe.

## RE

Our first key theme this term is Belonging. We will discuss what it means to belong to a group, how new people are welcomed and how our actions reflect our values. Our focus is on Christian beliefs and as we approach Easter, we will learn about sacrifice—to give something up for love.

## Computing

We will continue to learn about e-safety. We will also explore 3D design and how to merge text and images.