



Curriculum Matters Year 1 Spring 2

This half term we will be researching the history of our local area. We will focus on our school, Stalybridge and the different historical aspects of the locality. We will learn all about the life of L.S. Lowry who lived locally and look at his paintings. We will also be creating our own artwork based on some of his work.

English

During English this half term we will be:

- Reading poetry and writing our own spring poems.
- Identifying verbs and adjectives and using them in our writing.
- Developing writing through different fiction books and story characters.
- Writing longer sentences using conjunctions such as 'and', 'but' and 'because'.
- Becoming independent spellers using our phonics knowledge.
- We will continue to become confident and fluent readers in a wider range of text types.
- Secure knowledge and use of full stops and capital letters.

You can help your child at home by reading different types of non-fiction e.g. newspapers, labels, leaflets.

Maths

This half term our main areas of learning will be:

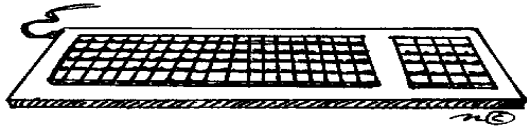
- To count from 20 to 50.
- To count to 50 by making groups of 10.
- To partition into tens and ones.
- To estimate using a number line to 50.
- To find 1 more and 1 less.
- To compare lengths and heights.
- To measure and compare mass.
- To measure and compare capacity

Questioning at home.

Which is heavier? Which is lighter? How do you know?

We will be looking at pitch and introducing the musical alphabet. We will also focus on repeat with the singing books as usual. We will go back to the 60's including classics from The Beatles.

In art we will be using the work of L.S. Lowry to inspire our own paintings and drawings.



ICT

Children will be introduced to the principles of programming and we will use this to direct a Bee-Bot. They will be introduced to algorithms and learn they are a set of step-by-step instructions given to a device.

P.E.

P.E. will continue to be taught on Tuesday morning by the sports coaches. Please ensure children come to school in appropriate PE kits and earrings are removed or covered with a plaster.

R.E.

Children will be learning about beliefs and practices in different faiths. We will also be learning about the importance of Easter in the Christian calendar.

Thank you for all your hard work in helping your child to achieve their targets. Progress will be discussed and targets for English and maths will be given at parents evening. Please make sure you arrange an appointment with your class teacher when invited.

Homework will be sent home on Friday to be returned to school by the following Wednesday. Please continue to hear your child read regularly and sign the blue reading record book. Thanks!