

# Year 1 Autumn Term Topic Overview



This term we will be learning all about Pirates! We will launch our topic with a pirate themed day on Tuesday 19th September. We ask that the children come into school dressed as pirates ready for an action-packed day.

## Reading:

- We aim to read with your child four times a week during Guided Reading sessions.
- Share with me books will be sent home on a Friday. We ask that you aim to listen to your child read their book every day. Don't forget to write this down in their reading diary so that we can celebrate how hard they have been working at home and receive dojo points.

## Important information:

- Homework will be posted onto Class Dojo each week on a Tuesday. This must be completed and returned to us via your child's portfolio by the following Monday.
- Children will be taking part in gymnastics and dance in PE this term. Please ensure your child has a named PE kit in school every day.
- Children will have access to three online programs that they work on at home. Reading wise, Spelling Shed and Numbots. Login details will be sent home in the front of their reading diaries once they are up and running.
- We ask that your child brings a named water bottle into school every day with water.

## This term we will be learning...

English	In English we will be reading fiction and non-fiction texts based on Pirates. We will be writing character descriptions, describing different settings as well as writing information pages on pirates. We will start to learn how to create our own story plans and word banks to support our writing.	Maths	In Maths we will be focusing on place value to 10. We will learn to read, write and interpret mathematical statements involving the addition, subtraction and equals signs. We will also solve problems with addition and subtraction within ten. We will be learning to recall addition and subtraction facts to and within ten.
Science	We will start this term learning about Humans in Science. We will identify, name, draw and label the basic parts of the human body and say which part of the body is associated with each sense. We will move on to observing the seasons Autumn and Winter. We will then start to learn about everyday materials. We will identify and name a variety of everyday materials a describe the simple physical properties of them.	Art and Design	In Art we will look at the work and life of the artist J.M.W Tuner. We will take inspiration from his seascapes to create our own sea settings after exploring colour mixing and finding collections of colours and shades. We will observe anatomy, drawing pirate faces and bodies.
Design and Technology	In D&T we will design, make and evaluate a pirate peg doll. We will be using our learning on different materials to help us with our project.	Music	In Music we will be using our voices expressively and creatively by singing Sea Shanty songs and speaking chants and rhymes.
Geography	In Geography, the children will locate and identify the four countries of the United Kingdom and its surrounding seas. We will identify seasonal and daily weather patterns in the United Kingdom. We will use world maps, atlases and globes - just like pirates! We will use simple compass directions to help us with treasure hunts.	Religious Education	In RE we will be asking 'who do Christians say made the world?' From this we will explore The Creation Story as well as Harvest Festival. Later we will be asking 'why does Christmas matter to Christians?'
History	In History, we will start to investigate and interpret the past by learning about famous pirates. We will recount changes that have occurred in our own lives and use words and phrases such as: a long time ago, recently, when my parents/carers were children etc.	PSHE	In PSHE we will be using learning about having a healthy lifestyle, growing and changing, keeping safe and relationships.
Computing	In Computing we will be using ipads and computers to create pirate maps. We will also create algorithms and programme beebots to follow routes on pirate maps. We will learn how to use a laptop.	Physical Education	In PE we will be learning Gymnastic skills. We will learn how to complete different rolls, jumps and balances. We will also be travelling in different ways and creating a sequence of actions.