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**Religious Education – To Know You More Clearly**

During this half term the children will look at the story of Creation in Genesis 1:1-4,24-26, and understand that it is an ancient, prayerful, poetic reflection on God’s world and retell this story in any form. They will begin to Recognise in an age-appropriate way that the Church teaches that all that is comes from God, our Father, who made heaven and Earth. Children will begin to understand that the Church teaches that God gave human beings the responsibility for taking care of the world and its people and in doing this, we show love for God and each other.

**Year 1**

**Autumn Term 1**

**September - October 2024**

**English**

The focus for our Steps to Read lessons this half term is stories that look at seasonal changes. ‘Winter Sleep’ by Sean Taylor is the first book that we will look at. For whole class story time we will be reading, ‘The leaf Thief’, written by Alice Hemming, ‘The more it Snows’ a book of poems written by A.A Milne and many more. We will also have Read, Write Inc every day to expand our knowledge of phonics and how to use it to read and write.

**Science**

This half term we will be learning about ‘Everyday Materials’. The children will learn to Distinguish between an object and the material from which it is made, Identify and name a variety of everyday materials, including wood, plastic, glass, metal, water, and rock. We will describe the simple physical properties of a variety of everyday materials and compare and group together a variety of everyday materials on the basis of their simple physical properties.

**Mathematics**

Children will be looking at numbers up to 10 and focus on ‘1 more than’ and ‘1less than’ using number lines. We will be sorting and grouping objects up to 10. We will also be using the part whole model within 10 to compare number bonds. We will continue this skill to explore addition and subtraction.

**Art and Design**

**Design Technology**

The children will be looking at drawings from different artists and begin to discuss what they like and dislike about each piece. We will be experimenting with shape, colour and media we will then create our own picture in the style of an artist.

**Computing**

The children will be learning the key features of a computer and how to use them. We will look at how technology us and locate examples of technology in the classroom. The children will investigate how technology examples help us in our everyday lives.

**P.S.H.E.**

Through ‘My Happy Mind’, the children will be discovering all about our brains. We will investigate what it looks like an how they help us. We will learn how the brain grows. We will also be meeting the team HAP and how they can help us.

**Music**

Children will use their voices expressively and creatively by singing songs and speaking chants and rhymes. We will also be attending a whole school hymn practice every Tuesday afternoon.

**Thank you for your support.**

**Miss Kirby**

**Homework**

Please encourage your child to read as often as possible and write a comment in their reading record book.

Spellings will be sent home on Fridays for our test on a Monday the following week – please encourage your child to learn them. All spellings are also on our class page.

**Physical Education**

P.E. this half term will be on Mondays and Fridays.

We will be focusing on mastering basic movements including running, jumping, throwing and catching, as well as developing balance, agility and co-ordination, and begin to apply these in a range of fun activities.

**Geography**

This half term we will be investigating our local area. We will learn about our locality beyond the school gate, building on children’s knowledge and understanding of their school environment. Children will explore their local area using first hand observation to enhance their locational awareness along with developing essential map and fieldwork skills.