

# Year One

Our Topic is....

**'Where we are in the UK!'**

We hope you all had a great break! We can't wait to continue our learning this half term.

## Reminders:

PE days are **Mondays** and **Fridays!** Please ensure children have the correct kit, that their hair is tied back and they are not wearing any jewellery. If your child has their ears pierced, please remove or cover them with plasters. Thank you.

There is no Forest School this half term.

Your child's school reading book is changed every Wednesday. Please make sure they have their reading folders in school on this day. Please practise reading tricky words and phonics sounds that are sent home.

Children visit the library once a week. These books are for you and your child to read and share together.

Beech and Yew library day is Thursday.

## Getting in touch:

If you need to speak to your child's class teacher for any reason, please make contact via the year group emails.

We aim to check these on a daily basis and we will reply as soon as we are able. The year 1 email address is: [year1a@westfield.staffs.sch.uk](mailto:year1a@westfield.staffs.sch.uk)



## Literacy

In our English lessons we will be reading the text 'A First Book of Animals.'

We will use this book to:

- create poems about animals in the UK.
- use question marks correctly when writing some questions about animals.
- write a non-chronological report on an animal in the UK.
- extend our writing using the conjunction 'and.'

## Maths

In school we will be deepening our knowledge of:

- numbers to 20
- doubling
- finding number bonds to 20
- counting from 20 to 50
- partitioning tens and ones to 50
- comparing and measuring length and height
- measure and compare volume, mass and capacity.



This half term, we will continue learning about materials in Science. We will be focusing on Geography, and we will be learning more about the country we live in and what the United Kingdom means and which countries are part of it.

### Science

As scientists we will explore and investigate a range of everyday materials, including wood, plastic, metal, rock and glass. When sorting materials, we will be looking at their simple physical properties, as well as identify the materials an object is made from. We will be testing materials to learn more about their properties. Which materials are the most waterproof, transparent and absorbent?



### Geography

During our Geography lessons, we will be locating Wombourne and Wolverhampton on a map. We will also be able to name and locate the four countries in the UK and their capital cities. We will then compare some of these places and discuss similarities and differences.



### DT/ Computing

In these lessons, we will explore

### PSHE

Our topic this half term is Happy, Healthy Me. We will be looking at ways to keep ourselves healthy. We will look at parts of our bod and out physical health. We will also look at our mental health and wellbeing and explore likes and dislikes.

### French

This half term we will be recapping numbers to 10. We will also be learning about the weather.



### RE

The topic this half term is Families. We will be learning about religious and non-religious families. Children will be able to talk about their own family and make links to the Christian Church.



### Music

We will be listening and finding the beat, pulse and rhythm to different styles of music.



Have a look at the following activities. Please can children complete at least one (or more) of the activities below. We look forward to seeing them. Children can email homework in at any time to the year group email address.

Search the web with an adult to find images of different cities in the world. Create a scrapbook of your favourite cities and include pictures, labels and captions.

Go on a material hunt around your home and in your garden. How many different types of materials can you find? Try and sort them in different ways. Use scientific vocabulary e.g. transparent, shiny, rigid....

Pick a famous landmark in the UK. Can you create it? You could draw it, paint it, use paper mâché, clay, play dough, etc.

Create a song/ piece of music about an animal that lives in the UK. Can you record yourself singing it or are you brave enough to perform it in front of the class?

Make a happy, healthy you poster. Draw a picture of yourself. What keeps you healthy? Who keeps you healthy? What makes you happy? What makes you sad? What do you do if you are feeling sad?

Create your own postcard. Pick a city/ place in the UK. Draw it. Write a message to the class, sharing what adventures you have been up to and describe where you are.