



Nayland Primary School

Spring Term 2

This half term in Woodpeckers our theme is 'A Painting'

This half term, Year 1 will be getting *picture perfect* in our new topic **A Painting!** The children will be exploring the work of local artists and taking inspiration from the amazing grounds we are lucky to have around our school. They'll be learning to observe carefully, experiment with different materials and techniques, and express their ideas creatively. From sketching what we see to creating our own masterpieces, it's sure to be a term full of colour, creativity and lots of *art-rageous* learning!

Maths	This term, children will build on their understanding of place value within 20, learning to read, write, and compare numbers, and represent them using practical equipment. They will also develop their skills in addition and subtraction, using number lines, tens frames, and other concrete resources to solve problems and explain their thinking.
English	We will be continuing on our Curious Quest, where through imaginative prompts, the Curious Quest will continue to support creativity as we grow into independent writers. We will write sentences to accompany drawings, using correct sentence structure and applying phonics knowledge, to segment and spell words more confidently.
Science	We will be exploring how <i>colour and pattern</i> can influence results in different investigations. Children will look at how these features affect both materials and animals, carrying out hands on experiments to discover how colour can change the way something behaves, works, or is perceived.
Geography	We will be exploring our local area and learning about the difference between human features and physical features. We will be using simple fieldwork and observational activities, looking at aerial photos and maps, and even studying how local artists have painted the places around us. The children will practise using geographical vocabulary, interpreting maps, and creating their own as they learn more about the geography of our school and community.
Art	We will be exploring the work of Alberto Giacometti and Alexander Calder. The children will look closely at how these artists used sculpture, shape, and form to express ideas. They will experiment with different materials, use drawing and simple sculpting to develop their own creative ideas, and build their confidence with key art techniques. We'll also be learning about these significant artists and what makes their work unique and inspiring.
PE	In P.E the games sessions will be based around striking and fielding and invasion games and continuing on our OAA journey using our school grounds to make learning active.
French	Woodpeckers continue to be introduced to the basic understanding of the French language, looking at greetings, introducing ourselves, numbers, colours and our family.
Computing iModel	We will learn how to create and use simple computer models to help represent real life situations. The children will explore how changing different variables affects outcomes, test their ideas, and use their models to make predictions. This unit helps them develop logical thinking, problem solving skills, and a better understanding of how computers can be used to simulate real world events.
PSHE / No outsiders & RSE	We will be looking at Christianity: Symbols and Artefacts. We will be looking at the big question, "What are the best symbols of Jesus' death and resurrection at Easter?" We will also be exploring how every family is unique and special, and celebrating the many ways people live and care for one another.
Music	We continue our journey learning the Recorder, developing rhythm, coordination, and early notation skills. We will also look at singing and performing as a choir.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- Please remember to label all your child's clothing with their name.
- Ensure your child's PE kit is in school and is weather appropriate for lessons outside.
- Please do not send your child into school wearing jewellery. Small stud earrings can be worn but must be removed for PE.
- Don't forget to send your child into school with a water bottle, and a warm coat.

USEFUL WEBSITES

- Google Earth
- Phonics Play
<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk>
- Topmarks
<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/5-7-years/counting>

DATES TO REMEMBER

- PE will be on a Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.
- Library day is Wednesday.
- Book change day is highlighted on the first page in your child's Reading Records.
- 24th February—Electronic Timing Day
- 25th February—Yoga Workshops
- 3rd March—No Outsiders Day
- 4th March—Breakfast Read with parents
- 6th March Non Uniform Day
- Parents Consultations—Week of 16th March
- 13th March—Red Nose Day
- 20th March—Easter Fayre
- 23rd March Look and Share after school
- 24th March Look and Share before school
- 27th March—Skipping Workshops
- Last day of term 27th March

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