

# Chapter 1 Learning Journey

### **English**

This half term, the children will be studying the book 'Hermelin' by Mini Grey. They will study the vocabulary from the book and build on previous terms work on combining words to make sentences, joining words and clauses using-and, because, so. The children will write a detective story and a letter in the style of 'Hermelin' and other model texts studied. In reading the children will study a selection of fiction and non-fiction to develop their comprehension skills. For Phonics the children will work in their RWI groups on Set 1, Set 2 or Set 3 sounds.

#### Geography

Life in the City In Geography, children will go on a city journey, studying maps and exploring some features of a number of different cities. They will learn about some human and physical features of cities and explore some of the different landmarks in Edinburgh and Cape Town. There are also opportunities to compare cities and discover landmarks and coastlines your children probably never knew existed!

#### Mathematics

This half term, the children will explore calculation strategies to 20. They will continue to read and write numbers from 1-20 in numerals and words. We will work on numbers to 50 through sequencing numbers, groups of ten, exploring place value using tens and ones and comparing numbers to 50. Through our unit on Addition and subtraction within 20 we will compare numbers using the language 'more', 'fewer' and 'difference', continue to work on different addition and subtraction strategies and solve word problems.

## Spanish - Los Animalitos

This half term pupils will continue practising numbers 1-10 and will learn how to say their age. They will be introduced to farmyard animal vocabulary and will listen to and join in with the story, 'El Patito Feo'. After activities aimed at developing memory and practising pronunciation, pupils will retell the story in groups and will record their performances.

#### Religious Education What is God's job?

This unit is all about investigating the roles of God through stories and sacred texts. The children in Year 1 look at the things God does and what this means to different people.

<u>Science</u> Materials This half term will look at many everyday objects and the materials that each are made from. We are going to be able to identify and correctly name a variety of everyday materials, including wood, plastic, glass, metal, water, and rock. We will also look at describing simple properties of materials, and use this knowledge to compare and group together the materials based on their physical properties.

### Computing - Robots

This unit introduces pupils to early programming concepts. Pupils will explore using individual commands, both with others and as part of a computer program. They will identify what each floor robot command does and use that knowledge to start predicting the outcome of programs. The unit is paced to ensure time is spent on all aspects of programming and builds knowledge in a structured manner. Pupils are also introduced to the early stages of program design through the introduction of algorithms.

#### Music

Carnival of the Animals. This term Chapter One will discover how music can be used to represent characters. They will sing songs, compose rhythmic patterns and perform music based on a study of the famous 'Carnival of the Animals'. They will explore how timbre is used to represent animals and characters.

## Physical Education

This half term, the children will be learning how to improve many fundamental skills. They will develop their coordination when rolling a ball, improve their control when throwing and catching, dribbling and kicking, and transfer these skills into games that involve accuracy and requires them to apply the skills that they learnt in isolation. The children will develop their communication and teamwork skills.

<u>Art</u> Paper Art Year 1 will be exploring a variety of materials during this term, including collages, stained glass, paper beads, papier mâché and paper sculptures. Pupils will begin by looking at the several types of paper used in art and will create a 'paper poster.' Pupils will then explore different shapes and textures of paper and will create their own collages. Furthermore, pupils will be encouraged to end this term with a completion of a paper sculpture that displays a theme of their choice.

## **History**

History will be on a half termly rota with History.

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