

Ashlands Primary School Curriculum

Autumn 2 2024



Our World

This half term, our work in Year 1 will be based on the theme of "Our World". This will involve exploring our local area and looking at the features found in our environment. They will also look at the seasonal changes in nature and around us, as we move from Autumn to Winter. The children will continue to work on developing their phonics skills and will continue to share other books and stories. The children will finish the term with a special 'Christmas themed' DT week.

In English ...

the children will produce writing which includes longer sentences using capital letters and full stops correctly. They will read and recite various poems and will have a go at writing their own poetry. The main focus will continue to be on developing the children's phonics skills and on using correct letter formation throughout all of their writing.

In Science ...

the children will use the local environment to explore what happens to the trees and plants as the days grow shorter and the seasons change. We will also be looking at how our clothing changes as well as the changes we can see in the natural world.

In **Computing** ... the children will use **2Paint** on

Purple Mash to develop their understanding of a range of tools used for digital painting.

Theme: Our World

In PSHE ...

the children will focus on valuing differences. This will include valuing and celebrating differences between themselves and others.

In **RE** ...

the children will learn about how we celebrate different special events.

They will also explore how religions mark festival days for different people.

In Geography ...

the children will locate where they live using an aerial photograph. They will also recognise features within a local context and create simple maps using classroom objects.

In **PE** ...

the children will be learning how to hit objects with their hand or a bat, and to do this when they are running. They will also learn to how to track and retrieve a rolling ball.

In Music ...

the children will be learning and practising singing skills. They will respond to signals, perform in unison and sing with an awareness of the shape of the melody.

In Maths ...

the children will develop their basic counting skills and number recognition. They will learn strategies for addition and subtraction work and will use symbols to record this. They will work on improving their recall of number facts. They will also explore the properties of 2D and 3D shapes.

In DT...

the children will explore slider mechanisms and movements.

They will use a slider mechanism to design, make and evaluate a moving Christmas card to showcase their skills.

In Art...

the children will explore mark making and line work, experimenting with materials.