Year 1 Autumn Term 2 – The Beatles



Main Texts

The Jolly Postman by Janet and Allan Ahlberg



Maths

This half-term in Maths Year 1 will continue to work on and have a deeper understanding of numbers and place value up to 10 then move onto numbers up to 20. Children will be practising simple addition and subtraction calculations. We will also focus on geometry looking at position and direction.



Science

In Science children will explore different materials and use adjectives to describe what they look like and feel like. They will sort materials into different groups by their properties and talk about why they have grouped different materials together. Year 1 will be investigating the question 'Which materials are the most flexible?' using comparative testing.

Vocabulary: Object, material, wood, plastic, glass, metal, water, rock, brick, paper, fabric, elastic, foil, card/cardboard, rubber, wool, clay, hard, soft, stretchy, stiff, bendy, floppy, waterproof, absorbent



Come and See

In Come and See children will be learning about 'Waiting'. We will talk about Advent and how it is a time to look forward to Christmas. The children will also recognise that Advent is a time of waiting in joyful hope for Jesus. We will also discuss how we celebrate Advent both in school and at home.

Vocabulary: Waiting, preparing, celebrate, Advent, Jesus, Mary, Elizabeth, Joseph, shepherds, angels, Christmas, Bethlehem, manger, worship, wreath

English

Our focus text this half term is 'The Jolly Postman' by Janet and Allan Ahlberg. Year 1 will describe 'The Jolly Postman' using adjectives and ask the 'Jolly Postman' questions. We will be writing a postcard to 'The Jolly Postman' and sequencing the story. The children will also write a fact file about different members of 'The Beatles'. This will link to our History topic for this half term. We will be researching and finding out facts about The Beatles then writing a fact file about the Beatles. We will continue to develop sentence structure and practise using capital letters, finger spaces and full stops in our writing.

Within Phonics we will be learning new sounds each day and practising to read and write words with these new sounds, as well as practising to read and write some high frequency and tricky words.

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Humanities

STEM

History

Year 1 will learn about the lives of famous people from the 1960s. The children will learn about 'The Beatles' and will research who The Beatles were and why they were famous. Year 1 will enjoy listening to and learning some famous songs by The Beatles, including 'Yellow submarine'. They will present their research and use this to write a fact file about the Beatles.

Vocabulary:

The Beatles, Liverpool, John Lennon, Paul McCartney, Ringo Starr, George Harrison.

Computing

In computing we will be exploring object labels, then using them to sort and group objects by their properties.

Arts

D&T

This term we will have fun designing then making our own finger puppets of The Beatles using different joining techniques.

Music

In this unit, we will be focussing on 'Adding Rhythm and Pitch'. Year 1 will be embedding and learning about all the foundational elements of Music, but with a focus on rhythm and pitch.

Year 1 will also enjoy practising and singing lots of songs for our Nativity performance.

PE

Gymnastics
Dance (Nativity dances)
Tennis