



Mersey Park Half Term Overview



Spring 2

Year 1

Writing

In our literacy lessons we will be learning the story of The Three Little Pigs. We will write a description of the houses focussing on using interesting WOW adjectives. We will also write a recount of our trip looking at buildings around our local area.

We will continue to work on writing in full sentences and using capital letters at the start of our sentences and full stops at the end. We will also start to look at how to use question marks and exclamation marks in our writing.



Reading and Phonics

In our reading we will be learning to sound out the words in our books and use our phonics to help us.

We will be revising the sounds;

/ai/ - ay, a_e,

/ee/ - ea, e_e,

/oi/ - oy

/ow/ - ou

/oo/ - ue

As well as revising phase 3 sounds and phase 4 blends.

We will also be looking for these tricky words;

some, come, love, were, there,

little, one, when, out, says,

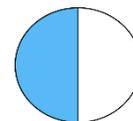
here, today, said, have, do, so,

like



Maths

In our maths lessons we will be continuing to look at multiplication and division. We will use of knowledge of counting in 2s, 5s and 10s to help us work out trickier calculations. We will start to look at fractions and recognise halves and quarters of shapes and numbers. We will combine ICT and Maths when we start to look at position and Direction. We will describe movement using language such as; quarter turn, half turn, full turn.



Topic

Our topic this half term is 'Buildings'. As historians we will look at the history of local buildings and create a buildings timeline. As geographers we will look at local landmarks and talk about the different types of buildings we see around our school. We will map out our route to school, locate our school on an aerial map and look at where our own house is in relation to school. As artists we will draw houses, paint our houses and create textured paint rubbings using the outside of the school building. We will look at the work of the famous artist Hundertwasser and create our own house designs in his style. We will extend our learning at home by designing and making a building of our choice as homework.



Science

In science we will continue to learn about 'Materials'. We will describe the physical properties of a variety of everyday materials. We will compare and group together a variety of everyday materials on the basis of their simple properties. We will name, identify and describe the properties of different materials, for example wood, metal, plastic, rubber, fur, towelling, nylon, wool, sponge, cotton wool, paper, card, brick, ceramics and rock. We will also label, collect and group together objects made from the same material. We will look at why some materials are unsuitable for some objects.



Mersey Park Life Skills

To help our Year One children develop as well rounded little people who are ready for the world around them, we will also be teaching our children life skills this half term such as; knowledge of the local area, including significant buildings. We will discuss safety in our local area and the emergency services which help keep us safe. We will talk about the importance of road safety and learn some top tips for keeping safe when crossing the road.

