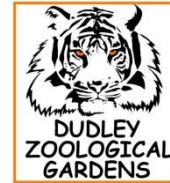


National Curriculum Coverage: Year 1

In addition to Literacy and Numeracy children will cover a range of subjects during the year. Sometimes these subjects will be taught through a topic and some may be delivered as separate lessons. The description below outlines some of the work the children will cover in each subject over the academic year.

Topic (History, Geography, Design Technology, Science)

The following areas of the curriculum will be included within 'Topic'; Science, History, Geography and Design Technology. To support and motivate the children's learning we hope to visit: Bishop's Wood, Dudley Zoo, Dudley Library, Avoncroft Museum and walks around the local area.



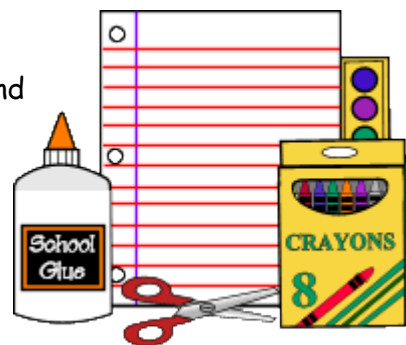
We will explore the similarities and differences between living and non-living things. We will talk about the importance of healthy eating and exercise. The children will plant seeds, watch them grow and identify the conditions needed for growth. The children will learn about different habitats.

They will use a range of materials for a variety of cross curricular projects. Throughout topic, children will be encouraged to use their own ideas to design and evaluate different products. We will use different mediums to create sculpture models, including paper, junk materials, clay and salt dough.

The children will talk about local journeys, travelling to and from school and draw simple maps to illustrate these journeys. They will learn about aspects of the past through the topic of homes and draw comparisons with life today. Children will use different forms of media to support their learning.

Art

The children will create observational drawings and imaginative paintings. They will explore colour mixing and use a variety of media and artistic techniques. The children will paint self-portraits and explore the natural world by looking at texture, form and colour. They will use paint programs to produce art work on the computer and create 2D collages and 3D models.



Music

The children will use a range of percussion instruments and learn a variety of songs. Working in groups with a teacher, they will play along with simple pieces of music focusing on rhythm, tempo and dynamics. The children will take part in a Christmas Carol Performance.

Information & Communications Technology (I.C.T.)

The children will develop their keyboard skills and mouse control using a wireless laptop. They will use a variety of software and practise accessing different areas of the computer including searching the internet, and other programs, to find information. Internet safety is a priority for our school and children will learn know how to stay safe on-line.



Religious Education (R.E.)



The children will take part in collective worship and class assemblies. They will experience major religious festivals including Christmas, Easter and Diwali. Through story, role-play and the use of artefacts we will discuss beliefs and major religions. Through books, DVDs and the internet we will share Bible stories from the Old and New Testaments.