



Gwenfo Church in Wales Primary School Half Termly Overview Year 1 Spring 1 2024

Language, Literacy and Communication

Writing: The children will be developing their writing skills as they write their news, retell the story 'Whatever Next' and write a postcard to Teddy from Earth. We will continue to use the Nelson Handwriting Scheme to develop our handwriting.

Spelling: Our spelling words this half term will be:

one by only old like have live give little down what when

At this stage, the children will not have formal spelling lists to learn, we will be learning these words together in class.

Phonics: The children will continue to read and write CVC words (such as cat, tap...) and this will be extended by revising or learning to read and write the following sounds:

ar, er, ff, ss, ll

Welsh: The children will be learning about *Dillad* (Clothes). They will develop their vocabulary for clothes and they will use basic sentence patterns when speaking and when reading *Dillad Tedi Two*.

French: The children will continue to revise some very basic greetings and the names of ten colours in French - **rouge, gris, jaune, noir, blanc, vert, bleu, violet, orange, marron**

Maths and Numeracy

In Maths we will be developing our understanding of:

- mentally recalling one more and one less of a number
- reciting numbers to 100, forwards and backwards and from different starting points
- reading, writing and saying 2 digit numbers
- using counting on strategies to add – starting with the higher number
- adding 1 digit numbers to 2 digit numbers
- counting on and back in 10s
- counting in 5s and 2s
- estimating small amounts
- counting back to subtract
- recalling doubles and near doubles to 10
- learning about the days of the week, months of the year and the seasons
- investigating 3D shape
- creating Venn diagrams
- using directional language

The children will also undertake some simple data handling and problem solving activities.

Humanities

This half term, our RE focus is **Miracle Stories** - How Jesus helped people and **Parables** - How Jesus taught people.

Our value this half term is -
Perseverance

Expressive Arts

The children will be taking part in Drama sessions linked to our topic, learning space songs to develop and understanding of rhythm and beat and exploring a variety of media to create images linked to our topic. The children will also develop the skills required to sequence and perform a space dance.

Science and Technology

The children will investigate whether the size of a balloon affects how far a balloon powered rocket travels along a string.

In ICT we will be using and programming Bee Bots.

As part of our topic, we will also be learning a little about the Solar System and our place in the Universe.

Health and Wellbeing

This half term the children will be learning what it means to work towards a goal, to set goals for themselves, to work collaboratively, challenge themselves and celebrate their successes. .

P.E.

This half term we will continue to use the Real PE programme to develop our fundamental core physical skills. The children will be refining their balancing, travelling and sequencing skills. As part of our topic, the children will also create a space terrain obstacle course to navigate, in our outdoor area.

Topic Information

Our topic this Half term is - Moon Zoom

CRASH! What's that in the playground? Let's go outside and take a look. Stand back everyone – it looks like a UFO has crash landed. Find out who might have landed by exploring the craft and investigating scattered scientific specimens. Make an air-propelled rocket. How far can you make it travel? Find out the names of the planets. Then, an alien is found. Can you help get him home. Are you ready for take off Year 1? Hold tight. 5, 4, 3, 2, 1... LIFT OFF!