## **English**

This term, we will be reading a narrative about the environment called The Last Tree in the City by Peter Carnavas.

We will immerse ourselves in the story by gathering ideas and discussing the objects we find in our classroom. We will also be using drama to act out scenes of the story. This will enable us to expand our vocabulary to help with our writing. We will write a setting description and a character description.

We will then analyse a model text to discover new techniques to improve our writing. We will gather more ideas in order to plan and write an environment narrative, retelling the story.

#### Art

This term we will focus on collage in our art lessons. We will tear and cut paper to create famous pieces by Henri Matisse, Pablo Picasso and Eric Carle. The children will use skills such as overlapping, mounting, cutting and gluing. The children will also experiment with bright and neutral colours.

### Music

.Children will begin by singing simple songs and chants including call and response. Children will begin to walk, move or clap a steady beat with others, changing the speed of the beat as the tempo of the music changes. Children will also begin to perform short repeating rhythm patterns while keeping in time with a steady beat.

#### Science

Throughout the year in science, we will study our ongoing unit of seasonal change. This term we will investigate the names of the four seasons and understand the types of weather that are associated with each one. We will also explore how the amount of daylight changes over the four seasons.

We will go outside and make observations about Autumn, noticing any differences from the Summer.



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### PE

This half term year 1 will be looking at Fundamental movement skills and physical literacy. They will practice skills which can be put into a variety of different sports (for example jumping which can be used in gymnastics and agility which can be used in football). The children will start to develop teamwork and communication skills during this half term when working in small groups.

#### Maths

This term we will focus on place value to ten. We will begin by counting objects within 10. We will focus on counting forwards and backwards within ten. We will then identify one more and one less within ten. We will achieve this by using a range of methods including practical, pictorial and abstract. The children will then focus on expanding their mathematical vocabulary by comparing amounts. Following this, we will focus on comparing numbers within ten, using the correct vocabulary and we will introduce the mathematical symbols for greater than and less than. We will then concentrate on ordering numbers within ten, before moving on to placing numbers on a number line.

# Computing

In computing we will learn about e-safety. We will develop the skills to recognise potential dangers and act accordingly to keep safe. We will look at the SMART rules for internet safety.

## **History**

In history this term, we will be investigating changes within living memory. Children will understand that living memory means people are alive today who can remember the changes. We will look at our own families, the royal family, our school and our houses and transport to examine how they have changed over time.

### **RE/PSHE**

In RE we will study Christianity and God and we will find out why Christians say that God is a 'Faher.'