

Violet Way Academy

Year 1 Curriculum Summer Term - Our Town, Your Town

Guided Reading

Children will have a daily guided reading session following our Rigby Star reading scheme. Children read a new Rigby star reading book in class each week and will bring home a Rigby Rocket book on the same level. They will read their book twice with an adult in school and complete follow up learning about it too. Please record in the children's reading diary about how they are doing with their reading at home.

Children can read extra books at home by logging onto bug club at home.

www.activelearnprimary.co.uk

Their username and password for this is in their homework book.

Reading for Pleasure

It is important that children develop a love for reading and have a chance to choose their own books and to read for pleasure. To instil this love of reading we have weekly library sessions where children can choose a book of their choice. This may be a fiction book, non-fiction book, a book they could read themselves easily or a book that they need an adult to read to them. Children must return the book from the previous week before bringing a new one home. We also have story time as a whole class at the end of the day. In this time we will be reading books linked to the topic Our Town or from our class book corner.

Phonics

Children will have a daily phonics lesson in class. We do not follow a set scheme but we use the phonic sound cards from Read Write Inc to help teach the children the sound along with a rhyme to help them to remember it easily e.g. ay - *may I play*.

This term the children will be in phonics set groups to revise all previous taught sounds before sitting the phonics test during this summer term.

English

Children will read the story On the Way Home by Jill Murphy and complete a range of activities after reading this book. The children will also create a non-fiction leaflet about their town Burton Upon Trent and they will read the story The Three Little Pigs and then create their own story by changing the characters in it.

Grammar is an important part of the new curriculum and this term the children will be learning about exclamation sentences, doing words in past tense, plurals - adding es, conjunctions and but and prefix and opposite - adding un to words

Maths

Children will have a daily maths lesson and will be taught in Set groups for maths. Over a term children will be taught aspects of: Number and Place Value, Addition and Subtraction, Multiplication and Division, Fractions, Measurement, Properties of Shape, Position and Movement from the new National Curriculum. Children will also have a weekly forest school maths session.

Children can develop their maths skills further by completing maths activities on active learn at home: www.activelearnprimary.co.uk

Their username and password for this is in their homework book and is the same as their one for Bug Club.

Homework

Year 1 children will have weekly homework. This may be Maths, Writing, Grammar, Phonics or a Topic based homework.

Homework books will be sent home on a Wednesday, please can they be returned to school on the following Monday.

Over the half term holiday the children will make a model or a mask or a drawing of the troll from the story The Three Billy Goats Gruff.

Additional Information

We will start this topic by having a walk into Burton town to look at our local area and to have a visit to the library.

Year 1 will also have a forest school week linked to habitats and mammals

Our Town



Artist

As an artist I will be learning:

- To draw landmarks from Burton
- To complete a drawing of a house using different techniques.
- To draw a sketch of a mammal.



Geographer

As a geographer I will be learning:

- To identify and sort geographical vocabulary.
- To draw a map
- To use simple compass directions to show route



Design and Technology

As a designer I will be learning:

- To design and make a model of a house
- To make joins for doors on a house.



Dancer

As a dancer I will be learning:

- To dance in time with the music
- To learn and perform a short routine and dance with a partner.



Scientist

As a scientist I will be learning:

- To group and name types of animals
- To learn about features of mammals
- To identify animal habitats
- To learn about food chains
- To research and make a fact file about a mammal.



RE and PSHE

As a thinker I will be thinking about:

- To share opinions about what you like and do not like about Burton Upon Trent.
- To visit a local church



Musician

As a musician I will be learning:

- To learn songs for May Day
- To learn to play an instrument in Rockit Music/recorders
- Look at musician born in Burton

Historian

As a historian I will be learning:

- To learn about what Burton was like in the past.
- To identify key landmarks