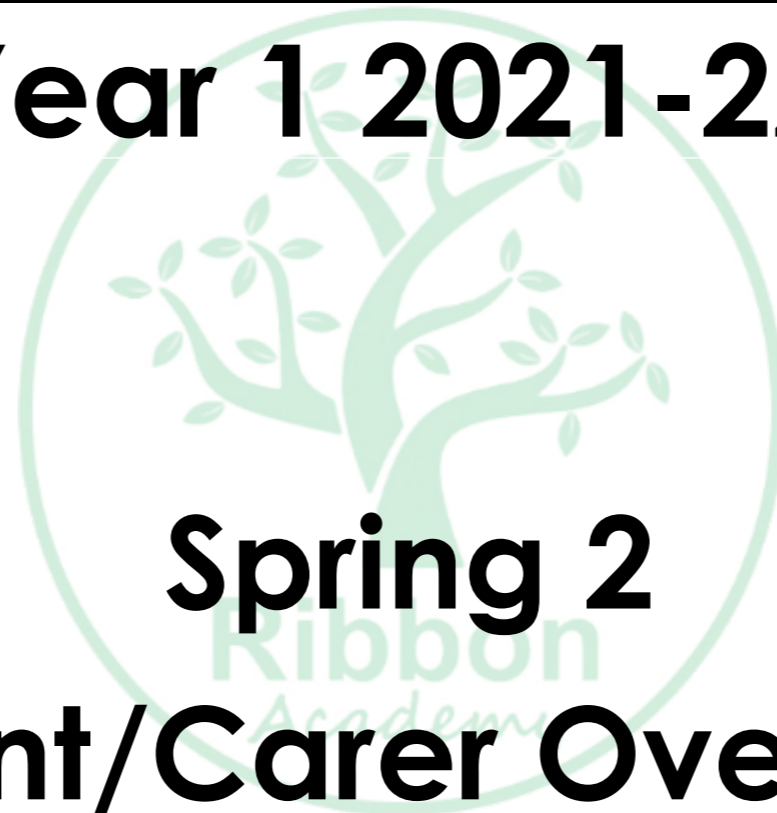


Year 1 2021-22

Spring 2

Parent/Carer Overview



The Core

Reading/ Phonics

Phonics

In phonics your child will be focusing on building polysyllabic words. They will be introduced to alternative spellings for sounds including /oy/, /oo/ and /ie/ as well as working with the <ow> spelling.

Reading

Every morning, your child will practice their reading skills in Book Club. They will bring home their phonics reading books.

Comprehension

Your child will use comprehension skills through the use of class stories and English core texts.

Writing

Instructions

This half term, your child will write a set of instructions. They will sequence their instructions using time connectives. Your child will use preposition to add detail to their instruction.

Non-chronological report

Your child will use sub-headings to structure a non-chronological report. They will begin to use the coordinating conjunction 'and' to extend their sentences.

Maths

Addition and subtraction

In Maths, your child will continue to develop their adding and subtracting skills. We will use our learning of addition and subtraction to compare measures such as length, height, capacity and volume.

Shape

Your child will also learn about 2D and 3D shapes. They will recognise and name 2D and 3D shapes and begin to describe their properties.

Science

Plants and Seasonal Changes

In Science this half term, your child will be learning about plants and seasonal changes.

Your child will make comparisons of plant observations from Autumn Term. They will also use their knowledge of plants from the Autumn Term to carry out different kinds of science investigations.

They will also be comparing the conditions and day length in Spring to our observations during Autumn.

The Creatives

Art & Design

Self-Portraits

In Art this half term, your child will create an individual self-portrait by using the illustration techniques of Quentin Blake. Your child will develop their skills by using pencils alongside watercolour and powder paints.

Your child will develop their scissor control by cutting pictures of themselves to use as portrait inspiration. Your child will use both neat and loose drawings to experiment with their portraits.

Design & Technology

Design & Technology was taught in Spring 1

Music

Glockenspiels

This term, your child will explore tuned percussion by using knowledge from their ocarina lessons to play different melodies.

During this topic, your child will explore pulse and use these instruments to represent patterns and ideas. They will choose and order the sounds and begin to control tempo.

The Humanities

Geography

Geography was taught in Spring 1

RE

Easter

At the beginning of this half term, your child will continue their learning into why Jesus is special to Christians.

Your child will then focus their learning on Easter and how this is celebrated by Christians. They will learn about the significance of Christian celebrations at Easter and the resurrection of Jesus.

History

Toys in the past

In History, your child will be learning about toys in the past, with a focus on how they have changed and developed over time.

Your child will create a timeline of toys from different time periods. They will compare their own toys to those of older family members when they were younger. Your child will use a range of sources such as artefacts, photographs, stories and pictures to develop their understanding of the past. The unit will conclude with a comparison of how toys have changed over time.

The Wider Curriculum

PE

Invasion Games

This half term, your child will develop their throwing and catching skills as they take part in team games. They will develop ways of sending a ball, retrieving and tracking their ball with increasing accuracy.

Games

This half term, your child will develop their teamwork skills and how to apply a variety of skills in a game of mini-tennis.

Computing

Beebots

This term, your child will learn the term "algorithm", and understand it is a series of commands. They will use this to move a Beebot from one place to another and explore how to change their algorithm to avoid obstacles.

Once your child is confident, they will apply this knowledge to debug their own algorithms, and those of their friends.

MFL

Building Foundations

In support to the teaching of French in KS2, your child will be encouraged to listen, repeat and use simple French greetings, listen and follow instructions and begin to recognise names of simple numbers

PSHE

Healthy Me

This half term, your child will explore ways of keeping their body healthy.

They will learn how to keep themselves clean and healthy, including the spread of germs. Your child will also explore safety both inside and outside of school, including who they can talk to when they need help.