

"They will soar on wings like eagles" (Isaiah 40:31)

As mathematicians, we will be learning about time, shape and position & direction in the first half term. The Year 1 children will also develop their understanding of place value and money whilst the Year 2 children will be undertaking statutory assessments. Within the second half term the children will be learning and developing their knowledge of statistics, multiplication & division and mass, capacity and volume. A timetable of each year groups learning can be found on the Bitterns class page on the school website.

As geographers, we will be learning about the continents of North and South America. We will then compare parts of these continents with our own locality.

Within RSHE we will explore and discuss our choices and personal boundaries. We will learn about sun safety.

As artists and designers, we will explore the work of Andy Warhol. We will learn and practise the technique of printing and will discover more about pop art and how it is created.

As scientists, we will be developing our knowledge of plants. We will work scientifically to identify and classify a variety of plants. We will be planting various seeds, bulbs, and observing and recording growth. We will explore what plants need to grow and thrive and will be experimenting with these factors. We will link our learning to our topic and geography work and will discover more about plants in North and South America.



Within religious education, we will be exploring the question: What difference does prayer make to the lives of Christians and Muslims?

The children will continue to have weekly spellings to learn and will have reading books coming home. Please support us by encouraging them to practice their reading and spellings whenever possible.

Our core values this term will be **courage** and **compassion**

As writers. We will be writing creative adventure stories, inspired by the work of Katie Morag. We will also be writing our own poetry, on- fiction book. We will continue to develop our use of a cursive style of handwriting as well as using a variety of punctuation. **As readers** we will be focusing on non-fiction texts. We will look at key features of this style of text making comparisons with fiction stories. We will research North and South America using information texts. Our year 1 children will continue to have daily phonics sessions following the Jolly Phonics scheme.

As historians, we will be learning about people who have changed the world. We will focus our learning on Greta Thunberg and a variety of other courageous advocates.

Within computing, we will be using Beebots to create and test simple algorithms. We will also use the computers to develop our digital literacy.

As musicians both year 1 and year 2 children will have fun improvising with music. We will play a range of untuned instruments and will use our voice expressively by singing songs.

As linguists, we will be learning some basic French, learning numbers, colours and simple conversational phrases.