

Key Stage 1 Spring Term Overview 2020



Welcome back to school - we hope that you all had a lovely Christmas break! For this year's Spring topic we will be looking at Mexico and focusing on the geography and culture of this fascinating country.

School Uniforms

We love seeing all the children looking smart in their full school uniforms and plain black shoes. Please ensure that everything is named so we can reunite children and missing items easily! Anything lost and unnamed goes into the Lost Property box in the Hall.

PE Kits

Please make sure these are named and in school <u>all week</u> (Monday to Friday!)

Coats and Wellies

Please ensure children come to school with a suitable coat. Children with wellies in school will be allowed to use the field at play and lunchtimes in all weathers.

Staying Healthy

Being well hydrated is important for learning. Please ensure your child has a named water in school at all times.

Alverton has a 'healthy tuck' policy for infants and fruit is provided at playtimes.

Please don't send children into school with sweets, crisps, chocolate etc. for tuck.

Helping in School

If you have time to come and read with children on a regular basis, please speak to a class teacher!

Learning in Key Stage 1

We believe that learning as an infant should be an imaginative, creative and immersive experience. Our aim is to create children who are passionate, resilient and increasingly independent learners who can reflect on and take pride in their achievements.

Supporting at Home

Please read with your child every day! It really is the single most important way you can help support your child's learning. Spellings and Topic homework grids are sent home termly. Children will also have access at home to some web-based APPs that the school pays for. More details will be available from your class teacher.

Working Together

If you would like to meet your class teacher to discuss how best to support your child (or for any other reason!) then please do not hesitate to arrange an appointment. After school is normally best as we will have more time to talk then.

Project Outcome

This term's project will end with a special Mexican exhibition, watch out for more details as the term progresses!



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In English this term we will focus on recounts, instruction writing, persuasive writing and poetry.

Science

In Science we will be looking at seasonal changes and the properties of materials.



Maths

We will follow the White Rose scheme of Maths, building on all the children's prior knowledge.

Art & Design

In art we will look at the work of Frida Kahlo and produce some Mexican themed pottery, masks and self portraits.



Geography

We will be contrasting our local area to Tocuaro in Mexico and thinking about climate as well as human and physical features of both areas.

Computing

We will explore how to stay safe online as well as using coding to create story.



History

We will think about the history of Mexico and the people who have lived there.



PE

In PE we will be learning some Mexican dance as well as practising gymnastic moves on the floor and on apparatus.

PSHE

We will continue to follow the 'Go Givers' scheme of work and linking it to our British Values themes.



RE

In RE we will be thinking about stories told by Buddhists as well as considering the importance of Easter for

