



Year 1 Autumn 1

Topic Overview:

In Autumn 1, children will begin to get an understanding of the local area, looking at basic physical and human features of the surrounding area. Following that, the students will use maps to explore the United Kingdom. This is a unit of study that sets a geographic foundation for not only subsequent geographic units, but also gives the students an idea of sense and place for where they live and provides a solid foundation for learning more detail in both geography and history in later year groups.

Big Bang!

To introduce our topic, children will become adventurers and explore their new learning environment and their school. What characters will they find around each corner?

Educational visit:

Our Learning Overview

All Around the Heath

English	In English, we will be learning the features of traditional tales using the text 'The Jolly Postman.' We will be following the Talk4Writing approach, using the text to create story maps and rewriting our own versions of a traditional tale.
Maths	In maths, we will be learning about numbers to 10, and representing this in different forms using manipulatives. We will also be using numbers to 10 in addition and subtraction.
Science	In science, we will begin to investigate plants. We will begin by locating the parts that make up the structure of the plant. This will be followed by learning how to describe and classify different types of trees.
Geography	In geography, we will be learning about our local and surrounding areas. We begin to focus on differentiating between physical and human features. We will then learn about the United Kingdom and its countries. We will focus on their flags, coasts, and capital cities.
DT	The children will learn about sliders and levers in this unit with a specific focus on designing, creating and evaluating sliders and levers in storybooks and children's toys. By the end of the unit, children will design their own storybook, using their core text as inspiration for their story and linking to their topic All Around the Heath.
RE	In RE, we will be learning about simple ideas about Christian beliefs and the links between what Christian stories tell us about good and bad, right and wrong.
Music	In music, we will be learning about a beat and following this throughout the term to create a chant.

Key Texts

