

This is me and my town

Year 1

2025-2026

Autumn Term 1

Science

Miss Glynn and Mr Nash will teach science this half term. They will be focusing on the human body. They will be focussing on naming and labelling body parts as well as having a good understanding of the senses. Before half term, the children will spend a week looking at seasonal changes focussing on the season of Autumn.

Geography

This half term we will be focussing on geography. We will learn about physical and human features and find these in our school and local environment. We will take part in some fieldwork in our school grounds and analyse what we have found. We will investigate where Middleton is using maps and begin to work with keys on maps. We will also learn what an address is and try to write our own and school's address, finding these on maps.

PE

PE will be taught by Mr Senior on Monday and Tuesday. This half term the children will be focussing on how their bodies can move in different ways.

Maths

This half term, we will begin by focussing on place value within ten. We will start by sorting and counting objects in a group. We will then move on to representing numbers using different objects. From there we will be recognising the numbers to 10 in words. We will then develop our understanding of counting on from different numbers, finding one more and also counting backwards within 10. This will then move on to finding one less and understanding the terminology 'fewer, more and same'. Towards the end of the half term we will begin looking at less than, greater than and equal to and developing our understanding of this to compare numbers. We will then move into understanding number lines. All of this will be taught using a very practical approach. Each week the children will complete one written piece of maths work and will also complete a 1:1 activity with their teacher to develop and extend their understanding further. Each day, the children will also have a 15 minute mastering number lesson to develop their mental maths skills.

English—Key Texts: The Jolly Postman and Pata's Pumpkins

Writing

This half term we will be using our key texts to focus on writing simple sentences which are punctuated correctly. The key things we will be remembering are capital letters, full stops and finger gaps. We will also be starting to encourage the children to read their work back and 'edit', so identify if they have missed punctuation or if they think they have spelt something incorrectly.

Reading

As in Reception, the children will be grouped according to their current level for daily phonics lessons. Your child's current group can be found in their reading record. These daily Read Write Inc lessons comprise of learning new sounds, reading books with these sounds in and a writing session.

RE

We will start the half term revisiting who our Trusted 5 adults are, in school and at home. We will then begin to learn about our class Saint, Saint Luke and write some prayers to ask God for support over the coming year. We will then begin our creation topic. During this we will learn about how the world was created and why God gave us this special gift of life on earth. We will link this to prayers such as the Creed and Our Father, where we declare our love and thanks to God and will also include learning about Laudato Si, the message given to us from Pope Francis.

Music

Mr Doherty will teach us music once a week. This half term we will be focussing on rhythm and knowing the names of different instruments.