



Year 1 Curriculum Overview — Creative Creatures

Autumn 1 2025

Curriculum Intent: Our focus for this term will be getting to know our new surroundings and adults to help us feel safe, settled and ready to learn. We will be further developing our independence and build on the foundation of skills from our Year R experience.



We will continue our phonics learning through daily RWInc. sessions to help with our reading and writing skills. We will be continuing our Kinetic Letters handwriting practise.

We will be using adjectives to describe characters from a range of texts that have a variety of creatures to explore.



Our Maths learning will be based upon developing a solid understanding of the number system, place value and calculation strategies for addition and subtraction. We will be learning to use maths resources independently to solve problems.



In DT we are practising careful cutting with scissors and learning how to join materials using glue, split pins and tape.

In Art we will focus on using resources independently to explore colour mixing. We will use our observational painting to create careful representations of ourselves in self-portraits. We will be looking at the life and work of artist Picasso and interpreting his work in another self-portrait.



This half term Year 1 will be learning through the topic **Creative Creatures**.



In Science we will be learning about the seasons and will introduce the focus of our longitudinal study that tracks the weather and temperatures of the various seasons.



We will be revisiting Respect's values such as how to look after our school and how to listen carefully.



In Computing we will be learning about how to take a good photograph through first thinking, better thinking when taking a 'selfie' using an iPad. We will also be learning how to use devices that can access the internet and how we can stay safe when we use them.



In Geography we will be learning to follow maps to explore our school outside environment. We will then be comparing to our federated school Elson Infant school.



In Music we will be following the Charanga sessions that help us to listen to, and evaluate Hip hop and Rap styles of music.



In P.E we will be working with CM sports to learn alternative sports. In our second weekly session we will be working on the Gomer mile that the children started to experience in Year R. They will be further developing awareness of safety and about the benefits of being active. They will learn to run more efficiently and building on their current stamina.



PSHE— Jigsaw

Our Jigsaw learning this half term is *Being me in my world*. We will explore topics such as feeling special and safe, our new class, rights and responsibilities, rewards and feeling proud and consequences. We will also be revisiting the Colour monster characters to help us know about and label our feelings.

