

Holy Trinity Rosehill C of E (VA) Primary School

Year 1 and 2 Autumn Term

Autumn 2025

What makes us and our world special?

Year 1 – English and Maths

In English, Year 1 will continue to develop their phonics knowledge through the ELS programme, supporting their journey towards fluent reading and accurate spelling. In writing, the children will begin composing captions and short sentences based on the stories and texts we explore in class. They will practise using capital letters, finger spaces, and full stops.

In Maths, we will focus on developing a strong understanding of place value within 10. This will include recognising, representing, and ordering numbers, as well as exploring the concepts of one more and one less. The children will also begin to secure their knowledge of addition and subtraction facts within 10, using practical resources, number lines, and mental strategies.

Year 2 – English and Maths

In English, Year 2 will do daily spelling lessons linked to our phonics scheme - ELS.

In writing, we will focus on writing sentences correctly that are sequenced to form short narratives. We will focus on our handwriting by forming letters correctly in preparation for producing a joined and legible script.

In Maths, Year 2 will build on place value knowledge to develop strategies for addition and subtraction with two-digit numbers. They will also practise number bonds to 20. We will explore the properties of 2D and 3D shapes, learning to recognise and describe them using mathematical vocabulary.

Religious Education



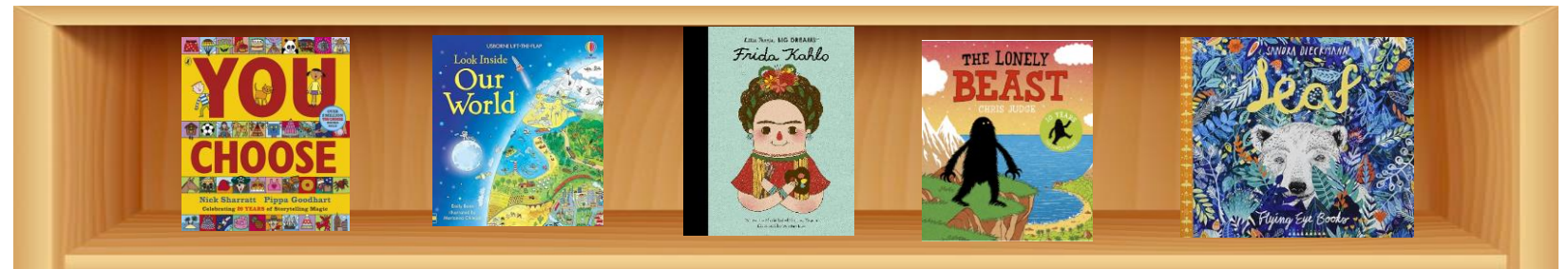
As Theologians, Year One and Two will use the Bible to explore the story of Creation, thinking about what it teaches Christians about God, the world, and how we should care for it.

In the second half of the term, we will be learning about the Incarnation, finding out why Christians believe Jesus is God come to Earth and why Christmas is such a special celebration.

Reading across our curriculum this term

Titles include:

- Incredible Me
- One Day on our Blue Planet



Music



As Musicians, we will explore the style of reggae music by listening carefully and learning about its distinctive rhythm and sound. We will use the glockenspiels to play along, develop our musical skills, and begin creating our own simple compositions.

Art



As artists, we will be creating self-portraits and exploring the amazing work of Frida Kahlo. Inspired by her unique style and themes, we will develop our own original pieces of artwork.

P.E



"As active learners in Years 1 and 2, we will explore different ways of moving, developing our balance, coordination, and control. We will then build on these skills by working together in a variety of games.

Geography



As Geologists, we will explore where we are in the world and observe the features of our surroundings. We will also take part in fieldwork activities within the school grounds.

Science



As Scientists, we will be learning about animals, including humans. We will investigate the different animal groups and their key features. We will also explore the changes that occur across the seasons, focusing on autumn and winter.

D.T



As designers, we will be designing, decorating and building a windmill for our mouse client to live in, developing an understanding of different types of windmill, how they work and their key features.

History



As Historians, we will be exploring our local area and learning how it has changed over time. We will use maps and photographs to investigate and deepen our understanding of the past.

Languages



As linguists, Year One and Two will be listening and exploring French songs, rhymes and basic phrases.

Computing



As Computing Technologists, we will explore the technology around us and how it is used in everyday life. Later in the term, we will focus on programming by creating simple algorithms to control and move a robot.

RSE and Useful Links for Parents/Carers



In RSE we will learn more about ourselves, about keeping safe, healthy and happy. We will also explore how we can get along with other people.

We will discover that friends are an important part of our lives and will spend time thinking about different feelings we might have.

Listen to this song – talk together about what makes you happy and friendships you have.

<https://safeshare.tv/x/ss5f589bcfaf760>

Our Behaviours for Learning

Throughout this term, we will be developing our skills in these areas:

Listening carefully

Working together

Being curious

Our School Values – How are we living out our school values in Year 1 and 2 this term?



We will work together kindly, caring for God's creation and our local community.



We will be kind to others and gentle with animals as we learn about God's creation.



We will keep going with our learning, whether drawing portraits or building windmills.



We will forgive each other when things go wrong, so we can learn and play happily together.



We will say thank you for our friends, our school, and the wonderful world around us.