

Year 1 and 2 - Curriculum Overview and Homework Activities



Our learning



This term, our topic is ‘I’m a survivor!’.

During our English lessons, we will focus on traditional tales and narratives from familiar authors with a survival theme including ‘The Ugly Duckling’ by Hans Christian Anderson and ‘Stick Man’ by Julia Donaldson. The chosen engaging stories all convey important messages about resilience, resourcefulness and the will to overcome challenges.

During Maths lessons, we will focus on the cornerstone concept of place value. Understanding place value is crucial as it helps children grasp the value of each digit in a number which is fundamental to all future maths learning..

In Science, we will explore how various animals and plants adapt to their environments, demonstrating their incredible survival skills in the wild.

In Geography, we will be locating and exploring both human and physical features in our local area, helping us understand how these elements shape our community and environment.

Computing lessons we will further explore how to stay safe on the internet, linking this back to and building upon our prior learning.

In Art we will explore the work of Andy Goldsworthy and Walter Mason using natural objects as our inspiration for creating landscape art and printing using leaves.

Reading every night is the most important thing you can do to support your child with their learning. Use the books sent home and the e-book library to support with this. There are weekly spellings to learn as well as TTROCKSTARS and time tables practice. We also set weekly Maths homework– your child will be given a sheet to stick in the homework book ready to complete each week.

These things MUST be completed before attempting any of the homework tasks below. The tasks below are optional extras.

<p>Survival Kit Poster</p> <p>Create a poster of items that you would include in a survival kit. Draw an item and write a sentence about why it’s important for survival.</p>	<p>Animal Adaptations Research.</p> <p>Choose an animal that has special adaptations to survive in its environment. Draw the animal and write a few sentences about its adaptations and how they help it survive in its habitat.</p>	<p>Outdoor Scavenger Hunt.</p> <p>Go on an outdoor scavenger hunt to find items that might be useful for survival, such as a sturdy stick, water source or shelter materials. Make a list of the items that you find and describe how they could be used.</p>	<p>Survival Story</p> <p>Write a short story about a character who gets lost in the wilderness and must use survival skills to find their way home. Include details about how they find food, water and shelter.</p>
<p>Survival Skills Research</p> <p>Research a specific survival skill, such as finding water or navigating by the stars. Write a step-by-step guide on how to perform this skill.</p>	<p>Create A Rescue Signal.</p> <p>Design a creative rescue signal using natural materials or household items. Draw or make the signal and explain how it would help rescuers find you in an emergency.</p>	<p>Survivor Interview</p> <p>Interview a family member or friend who has experienced a challenging situation. Write down their story and what they did to ‘survive’ and overcome the challenge.</p>	<p>Survival Map.</p> <p>Create a map of your local area and include potential shelter spots, water sources and landmarks to help guide you safely home.</p>