Year Group: *Year 1*

Teachers: *Miss Parkin, Mrs Cooper and Mrs Linstead*

English– Writing:

We will be writing our own stories based on the text, Look Up! We will be continuing to focus on applying the sounds we learn in our phonics to help us spell and working on accurately using the past and present tense. At this point in the year, it is really important that we are working hard to write accurate sentences as we will soon be learning how to include the conjunction 'and' to join clauses.

English– Reading:

We will be continuing our daily phonics practice, helping our children to read confidently and speedily.

Please support your child by reading with them regularly. Don't forget to log these on

Maths

We will be continuing our work on number and will be using the context of first, then, now stories to help us become secure with addition and subtraction. We will then apply our learning to help us answer missing number problems before beginning to explore doubling and halving. Don't forget to keep working on your NumBots to earn the next certificate!

Physical Education

This half term we will become Kurling competitors! New Age Kurling is an innovative game that is highly accessible, suitable for all ages and abilities. It is a modern take on the traditional game of curling and its defining feature is that it can be played from the ground. We will also be taking part in a in a huge sporting competition testing our multi-skills abilities.

Coastline

In this unit we will be learning about the continents, countries, oceans and seas around the world. We will also be exploring physical and human geography with a key focus on the coastal area of Whitby. We will explore how physical geography changes over time and the impacts that humans have had.

PSHE

Our topic this half term is 'healthy me'. We will be exploring what it means to be healthy and discussing the importance of making healthy lifestyle choices. We will then move on to exploring medical support we can receive to look after ourselves and ways to help ourselves if we feel poorly.

Computing

In our computing sessions, we will be exploring object labels, then using them to sort and group them by properties. We will also continue to explore the various ways that we can keep safe whilst online.

Science

As Scientists we will be exploring plants. We will explore a range of plants and trees in our environment, learn about their basic structure and what plants need in order to stay healthy. We will then explore how different plants are adapted to their different habitats by looking at those that grow in dry, wet, cold and hot environments. We will also have the opportunity to grow our own plants!

RE

As theologians we will be exploring the question, ''Why is Easter important to Judaism and Christianity?" We will be looking at how each religion celebrates Easter and comparing the similarities and differences.

Music

Our unit this half term is 'Round and Round'. This song is in the style of 'Bossa Nova'. Children will learn to sing the song confidently before continuing to develop their improvisation and composing skills using both their voices and the glockenspiels. At the end of the unit, children will take part in a group performance to showcase their skills.

DT

Our DT topic this half term is 'Beach Hut'. We will be creating our own prototype beach hut using recyclable materials., explore how we can successfully join different materials before creating a 3D box out of wood to make our own free standing beach huts.