

**Year 1 Our World –
Our Responsibility
The Local Area
Autumn Term 1 2025**



Design and Technology

Children will design a house and use recycled materials to construct it. This topic will involve experimenting with different materials and ways of joining materials together. There will be a focus on our responsibility for the world and what items we can recycle.

PE

Fitness

In fitness, we will be building foundational movement skills, developing agility, balance, and coordination, and introducing the children to simple, fun activities. Lessons will focus on mastering basic movements like running, jumping, throwing, and catching, often through games and simple exercises.

Ball skills

During our outdoor PE unit, we will be developing skills in kicking, bouncing, throwing, and catching.

Art

The children will be learning to draw houses looking carefully at the shapes they need and creating observational drawings. They will also look at 'Starry Night' by 'Van Gough' and recreate their own version.

RE

The children will learn about the Creation story in Genesis and discuss how God's gift of Creation is explored in scriptures and artistic expressions e.g. through art, music, or poetry. They will learn that God loves us all and created beautiful things for us.

Computing

The children will learn about how technology can help them in their everyday lives. They will start to learn the different components of a computer by developing their keyboard and mouse skills.

English

The children will be learning using the Talk for Writing approach this academic year, this will involve the children learning a variety of key texts that they will use to imitate, innovate, and invent their own pieces of writing. The key texts this half term will be *The Tiger Who Came to Tea*, *Peace at Last*, and *Litterbug Doug*. The children will be taught to write using their phonetic knowledge and begin to punctuate their sentences with capital letters, finger spaces and full stops.

Geography

We will be looking at our local area. The children will learn about 'human' and 'physical' features. They will go on a walk around Monkston Park during which they will use a map marked with the route to locate key features. There will be a focus on our responsibility for the world specifically on how we can look after our local area. They will then use maps back in the classroom to mark the route taken and use a key to mark on different human and physical features of Milton Keynes.

History

We will be doing the History part of the curriculum in Autumn 2.

Science

The children will learn about the human body and investigate the 5 senses humans have – sight, sound, touch, taste and smell. We will look at the seasonal changes we will see in autumn.

Music

The children will be exploring different sounds in the classroom and around the school following the Music Express syllabus. The children will also develop a sense of steady beat using their own bodies. They will respond to music and play rhythm patterns on body percussion.