

Our Curriculum is designed to develop five core characteristics in our pupils, which we believe will lay the foundations for them to be lifelong learners and good global citizens. These are:



Year One Curriculum Overview	Summer One	Learning Focus: Animals
English - Phonics	Children will learn the final sounds in Level 5c of the Twinkl Phonics scheme. In preparation for the phonics screening check in June, children will be digraph and trigraph detectives. We will be looking for these in real and nonsense words, using our sound buttons to support us with segmenting and blending. We will be writing dictated sentences containing these digraphs and trigraphs focusing on our spelling and grammar, in particular, capital letters and full stops.	
English - Writing	Children will learn and re-tell the story of Where the Wild Things Are by Maurice Sendak. The children will then use this story structure to write their own version of this story, focusing on the elements of action and suspense. The children will then learn about the features of an information text and, following on from our work about the classification of animals, will write an information text about their chosen animal.	
Mathematics	In mathematics, children will be learning about measures, exploring both length and height, using both objects to measure and to measure using centimetres. After this we will explore mass and volume. The children will then start to learn multiplication and division skills by counting in twos, fives and tens, making and adding equal groups and making arrays.	
Science	The children will learn how to identify and name a variety of common animals including fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals. They will also learn to describe and compare the structure of these animals. We will also be looking at seasonal changes between winter and spring in conjunction with our Geography learning.	
Geography	Linking with our Science work, we will look at the seasonal changes between winter and spring. We will learn about the changes to the length of the day, weather patterns and other differences in our local environment.	
Art	In Art, the children will use the book Elmer to help them explore the medium of collage. Children will develop their art and design techniques by making their own animal collage.	
Computing	This half term children will be creating digital albums using photographs on JIT5 'Write', 'Paint' and 'Mix' tools. We will build on our word processing skills and digital retrieval and editing skills to create our own booklets.	
Music	Children will be learning what improvisation is and how music helps us through the day, by improving our quality of life. They will learn how music is linked to our identity and history. Children will be using glockenspiels to improvise pieces of music.	
PE	In PE, children will work with Chris, our sports coach, to continue to develop their football skills. They will learn to perform a range of kicking and gathering skills with control as well as using the side of the foot to pass the ball.	
PSHE	Our focus for the half term will be learning all about health and wellbeing. We will learn about the different food groups and the healthy choices we can make to ensure we have a balanced diet. To link with our PE learning, we will look at the importance of exercise as part of a healthy lifestyle and the importance of keeping both our body and mind healthy and active.	
RE	In RE, children will discuss what the Bible says heaven is like and share ideas about what we believe about heaven. We will also focus on Gospels from the Bible, with the focus on good news in stories such as Matthew the tax collector.	