Communication and Language

The children will be learning to listen attentively and maintain concentration in a range of situations. There will be lots of opportunities for the children to share their ideas and respond to others in small groups and class discussions. The children will be listening to, talking about and retelling new stories. They will be talking about non-fiction texts.

Physical Development

We will be continuing to work on developing the children's fine motor skills by taking part in different activities such as threading, playdough and making models with construction kits. The children will also be developing their pencil and scissor control. During our PE lessons there will be opportunities for the children to develop their coordination skills, send and receive objects and work as a team. They will also be taking part in gymnastics and dance activities.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We will be providing lots of opportunities for the children to try new activities. The children will be developing their friendships with each other, taking turns and sharing the resources. We will be encouraging the children to identify and moderate their own feelings. The children will be talking about the different factors that support their health and wellbeing.

Literacy

We will be continuing with our daily phonics lesson. This will help the children to read and write CVC words and simple sentences. We will be sharing stories such as 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt.' The children will be learning to retell the stories by using repeating phrases and actions and by making their own story maps. We will be looking at non-fiction books about animals and the children will be writing their own non-fiction report.

The children will be continuing to learn rhymes and poems.

Understanding the World The children will be learning about Winter and what happens during the season. The children will be learning to use a simple map. They will be finding out about their local area by going for walks. The children will be finding out about people within their own community and in other The children will be learning about what familiar situations were like in the past. The children will be using the beebots, interactive whiteboard and iPads.

Class 1 Spring 2024

This term our topic in Class 1 is 'We're Going on a Journey.' The children's interests will continually be used to inform the direction in which our topic takes. Our whole school focuses for this term will be: Children's Mental Health Week **British Science Week** Marden's Book Month – World Book Day

Religious Education

The children will be answering the questions 'Why is Easter special for Christians?' and 'Being special: where do we belong?' We will be celebrating Easter.

How you can help

Talk to your child about our topic. Read your child's books with them and practise their keywords. Read stories to your child, talking about what has been read. Learn to say and write the sounds in their sound books. Thank you!

Maths

We will be looking at the numbers to 10. The children will be learning how to represent them in different ways and the composition of the numbers. They will also be comparing groups of numbers. The children will be starting to understand what adding and subtracting means by combining two groups. They will be starting to learn the number bonds to 5 and 10. The children will be learning about capacity, length and height. They will also be learning about 3D shapes.

Expressive Arts and Design The children will be encouraged to make use of props and materials when in the role play area and playing with the small worlds. The children will be learning a range of well-known nursery rhymes and songs. They will be exploring music and movement. The children will be exploring with paint. They will also be creating collages using a variety of different materials. The children will be using junk modelling to make buildings and objects.