

As part of our Social, Moral, Spiritual and Cultural curriculum we will continue to interweave our school motto and core values into everything we do. Motto:

**Perry Hall Primary, a place to grow in
confidence, creativity and ability.**

At Perry Hall we are...

**Respectful, Caring, Determined – never give up,
Enthusiastic, Independent, Motivated**

Helping Your Child At Home

Please hear your child read every night and sign their reading diary.

Please feel free for your child to read any other material they have at home.

Books will be changed on a frequent basis- please send your child to school with their book and reading diary.

Please support your child in completing their English and Maths homework each week. Homework will be given out each Friday and will be required to be returned to the teacher the following Wednesday.

Talking to your child about their day, what they have learnt and reinforcing new language they have learnt is very important.

Please ensure that all of your child's belongings are named.

Spring Term 2018 Dates

- **Number Day 2018 (NSPCC)**- 2nd February 2018
- **Phonics screening and RWI workshop**– 14th February 2018
- **Half term Break:** Monday 19th February - Friday 23rd February
(back to school on Monday 26th February)
- **World Book day**– 2nd March 2018
- **STEM/science week**—week beginning 12th March 2018
- **Easter break:** Friday 30th March—Friday 13th April
(back to school on Monday 16th April)
- **Dudley Castle Zoo visit**—date to be announced soon



A Place to Grow

Year 1



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English



This term we will be continuing our focus on Read, Write Inc. phonics which we do in small groups each morning. This involves learning new sounds and blending these together to help us to read and write increasingly trickier words and sentences. Your child may refer to 'special friends' which are two or three letters which are read together to make one sound, for example, in the word 'light' the 'special friends' are the letters 'igh'.

Our writing will be linked to this term's topic 'Fairytales' and based on the traditional stories of 'Goldilocks & the Three Bears' and 'Little Red Riding Hood'. We will look at a range of genres of writing, initially focusing on story writing where we will learn about character and setting descriptions, story language and the importance of a beginning, middle and an end. We will then look at sequencing stories, retelling and recount writing.

Maths



In Maths this term we will continue to build on our learning from before Christmas involving addition, subtraction and multiplication, using resources such as dienes and number lines to help us. We will revisit money involving coin recognition and totals, as well as the new concept of division which we will learn through grouping and sharing objects practically. We will also be introducing mass and weight. The children will learn how to weigh objects using standard and non-standard measures. In addition to this we will be using lots of new mathematical language to **compare, describe** and **solve practical problems**.

In shape we will be quickly recapping the names of common 2D shapes before moving onto learning the names and properties of 3D ones.

Science

In the first half term we will learn about materials and solve practical problems through investigating, for example, finding the most suitable material for an umbrella. In the second half term we will learn about and explore the topic of light and sound.

Geography:

In Geography we will be learning about the United Kingdom. We will be looking at the names and locations of the capital cities of the UK and what they are like through maps, photos and videos.

We will also be looking at the contrasts between these places and India and the Caribbean islands.

D&T /Art/Music:

In D&T we will be using ingredients from different places to make foods, such as fruit kebabs. We will also be using malleable materials to sculpt famous landmarks from around the world.

In Art we will be focusing on flags and traditional dress. In Music we are going to be exploring music from around the world and looking at the instruments which come from different countries. We will also be composing and performing our own music to match different stimuli.

Computing :

Our computing activities will be cross curricular linked to our work in D&T. The focus will be on being creative using various computer programs such as the Beebots and paint program. In E-Safety we will continue our work on staying safe online, as well introducing activities about carefully selecting information on the internet which is trust worthy and accurate.

RE:

In RE we will be exploring 'Questions that puzzle us'. This will allow us to explore different faiths and what people believe influences their lives. We will be thinking deeply about questions we would like to know the answers to and how we could find the answers to these.

P.E./Games

P.E. will be taught by the school's PE coach, Mr Boneham, this term. We will be focusing on multi-skills activities which includes throwing, catching, balancing, basic games and tactics. Please ensure that your child brings their PE kit every Monday.

PSHE:

During our PSHE sessions we will be looking at Drug Awareness and making the right choices. We will be looking at familiar medication used within the household and why it is important that only adults handle such medication. As well as this we will have weekly PSHE circle time sessions about being a good friend and how to manage our behavior well at school.