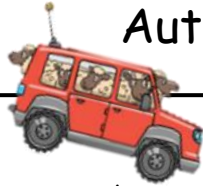


# Year 1VM

## Curriculum Review

Autumn 2023



### Phonics

In year 1 we have had a big focus on our phonics and how to use our knowledge of sounds to support us when reading decodable words. We are trying really hard to spot the digraphs within words and then read them fluently, without blending. If we do need to blend, we do it in our head first. We have focused on lots of new digraphs, using them to read new words and reading our tricky words on sight.

### Maths

In maths this term we have learnt to find numbers without relying on counting by using what we know about number and finding patterns in number such as 'five and a bit more'.

We have used rekenreks to help us find numbers within 10 and now within 20. We use 'one push' to find a number on the rekenrek once our 'reds are ready'. We are practising our number recognition of numbers between 12-19.

### History

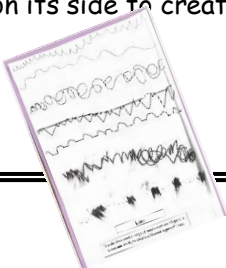
In History we have been learning about lots of different types of homes. We looked at lots of pictures of Victorian homes and talked about how they are the same as our houses and how they were different. We loved the thought of having to go into the garden to go to the toilet! We have also discussed what type of home we live in.

### Geography

The children looked at their locality including where they live and their school. We located our locality and our school on a map and discussed that this is called an aerial or 'birds eye' view. We went around the school grounds and discussed the importance of the trees, bushes and wild garden. We know that they provide the birds and insects somewhere to survive. We also discussed how the trees and bushes keep the noise down from the surrounding houses.

### Art

In Art this term the children used a range of pencils, biros and chalk to create different types of lines. They were then asked to experiment with all the different ways they could use charcoal. The children were encouraged to make lines which were really dark and thick or dark and thin. They also experienced using the charcoal on its side to create large grey areas and smudged it with their fingers. It was messy but so much fun!



### Science

The children have enjoyed learning about animals (including humans) this term. They have learnt about the parts of their body and animal bodies and have labelled them. They have been able to sort animals by their characteristics (e.g. wings, carnivores etc). The children have also associated their senses to the parts of the body in a practical activity where they tasted crisps and tried to guess the flavour, whilst their sight was obstructed.

