



Shincliffe CE Primary School Home / School Links – Autumn 2

During this half term the children in **Year One** will be looking at the following areas:

Curriculum Area	Content to be taught in school	Possible Activities to be completed at home
English	In English children will be reading the story 'I want my hat back'. Lessons will include creating questions, speech bubbles, conjunctions, role play, letter writing and creating our own altered version of the story. We will continue to reinforce use of capital letters, full stops, finger spaces and writing on the lines and we will be introducing a question mark. In phonics we will look at alternative digraphs for sounds already taught ie ay, ea, oy, ou, aw etc. We will continue to reinforce correct letter formation and begin to look at formation of capital letters.	Writing simple sentences about themselves at home including capital letters, full stops, finger spaces and forming letters correctly and on the line. Include adjectives to their writing to create interest.
Maths	In Maths we will continue counting, reading and writing numbers to 10 and then 20. We will be introducing Part Part whole models and completing addition number sentences using objects and then a number line. We will also begin to do subtraction using all the same methods. Children will then need to solve word problems. Children will continue to be taught number bonds to 10 / 20. We will also complete work on length and 3D shape.	Look for and identify numbers all around. Can they read two-digit numbers confidently? Can they write these numbers? Continue counting to 20 and then 50 and back. Are they confident counting past the tens numbers? Look for 3D shapes in the house and whilst out and about. Practise recall of number bonds for all numbers to 10.
Science	This half term children will be learning about the human body and the purpose of the skeleton and the major organs inside the body. They will be labelling basic parts of the human body and learning which part of the body is associated with each sense.	Continue to make observations of the weather and the seasons and talk about the changes they see around them. Talk about any ice and snow when it is around and let your child explore it. Can your child explain what happens to the snow and ice as the weather changes?
Computing	Children will be using Purple Mash to develop their skills of creative computing by designing pictures and creating avatars of themselves. We will also introduce internet safety and discuss what we should do if we see something we do not like online.	Encourage your child to practice writing their full name on the keyboard and use simple keys such as 'Enter' and the 'Space bar'.
RE	This half term the children will be exploring the question, 'Why	Talk about giving gifts at Christmas and those that are less

	are gifts given at Christmas?'. They will look at the gifts that were brought by the wise men, the special meaning behind these gifts and how Christians see Jesus as being a gift to the world. They will think about what gifts they would give that can't be bought. We will also be looking at 'How and why light is given at Christmas?' which shows how Christians use light as a symbol for Jesus and consider darkness to be a bad thing.	fortunate. Also discuss the different ways we can use light at Christmas – stars, candles etc. Maybe take part in the Shoe Box appeal with your child.
History	The half term's topic is 'Old Toys'. The children will be finding out about toys in the past. They will observe how toys have changed over time and find the similarities and differences between old and modern toys.	To talk to parents and grandparents about the toys they played with as children.
PE	Children will be developing skills in orienteering and yoga with support from external coaches. They will be learning how to work together in a group to follow simple routes/trails and how to be slow in their movements.	
Music	This half term we will be focusing on pitch. The children will develop an understanding of pitch through using movement, voice and instruments. They will identify contrasts of high and low pitches, and create animal chant sounds and sequences.	Listen to different sounds in the house and whilst out and about in the town, shops or countryside. What different sounds can they hear? Can they distinguish between high pitched sounds and low pitched sounds?
DT	Children will learn three different ways to create moving pictures: slider, pivot and lever and wheel mechanisms. They will design a moving picture linked to Christmas.	Look at books which have moving parts and talk about the different ways in which they work. Look for further examples in other places.
PSHE / SRE	Children will learn about the people who look after us and who we can contact in an emergency. They will learn how to make a 999 phone call. They will also be exploring the different emotions we may feel and how to recognise them.	Ask the children if they are aware of people that can help us in the community – police, firefighters etc. Encourage children to think about different emotions they may feel in various situations.
French	This half term, we will be continuing with the 'Les Couleurs et Les Nombres' (Colours & Numbers) unit. Children will learn how to say, read and write 10 colours in French. Children will also learn the numbers 1 to 10 in French.	Can your child recall colours and numbers in French?
Proposed Educational Visit	Beamish	