Class: Heron Year group: Reception and Year 1

Learning Theme: What's Around Me? Half-term/year: Term 2 Autumn 2023



# Focus Books

# English

Seasons by Hannam Pang and Clover Robin The Queen's Handbag by Steve Antony The Queen's Hat by Steve Antony

Lila and the Secret of the Rain by David Conway

Lost and Found by Oliver Jeffers

The Jolly Christmas Postman by Janet and Allan Ahlberg

#### **Class Reader and Comprehension**

The Sea Below My Toes by Charlotte Guillian and Jo Empson

Storm Whale by Benji Davies

Journey by Aaron Becker

Pumpkin Soup by Helen Cooper

Handa's Surprise by Eileen Browne

CBeebies 'Poppies'

The Hunter- Paul Geraghty Here We Are by Oliver Jeffers

One World Many Colours by Ben Lerwill

The Snowflake Mistake by Lou Treleaven and Maddie Frost

The Christmasaurus-Tom Fletcher

The Polar Express by Chris Van Allsburg

## **Phonics and Guided Reading**

Read, Write Inc. Phonics and Guided Reading

## **Spelling**

Year 1 Common Exception Words

Spelling shed

#### Handwriting

Read Write Inc letter formation

|           | R – Numbers 1-5 - Match, sort, compare amounts, subitising, continuing patterns Circles and Triangles and shapes with 4 sides   |
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| Maths     | Year 1 – Number including addition and subtraction of numbers to 20 and beyond, Part-whole relationships Geometry and Shape   |
| Science   | Seasonal Changes Observe changes across the four seasons. Observe and describe weather associated with the seasons and how day length varies  |
| PSHE      | Celebrating Difference We will discuss how to make our class a happy place, where we all feel valued. We will celebrate similarities and differences. We will talk about how to keep our bodies safe and healthy. We will recognise those people who are special to us.   |
| RE        | What do Christian's believe about Jesus? (Link with Christmas) Begin to understand why Jesus is important to Christians. Understand why Christmas is an important festival.   |
| Geography | What colour are the seasons? What is a city? Name the four countries of the UK Name the four capital cities of the UK Name key landmarks in London Name and locate the 7 continents. What is a map? What sort of houses and homes are there in Kenya? Compare with the UK. Identify hot and cold areas in relation to the equator and the North and South Poles. Name and locate the five oceans and the UK seas. Who are the people that help me? Talk about environmental issues. |

|           | DT Constructing windmills  |
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| Art/DT    | Christmas art and craft  |
| Music     | Musical Vocabulary: Under The Sea<br>Christmas songs and rhymes  |
| PE        | REAL PE Program- Journey to the Blue Planet and Monkey Business – Balance and Agility  REAL Gym Program - Gymnastics - Sequencing Balances |
| Computing | Programming Algorithms Debugging   |
|           | E-Safety Anti-Bullying Week. Online emotions   |

As part of our Learning Enquiry, we are delighted to share that Little City UK will be visiting us for a morning on Wednesday 15th November. Little City offers a wonderful, interactive and inclusive play experience for Reception and Year 1 aged children. The children will be able to role play in the mini city which will be set up in our school hall. Our aim is to develop a deeper understanding of 'People who help us' and different careers or people in the community which aptly supports our learning Enquiry. For an idea of what your child may experience, please look at this website.

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