



Plum Class



Happiness, Progress, Success

Collaboration Creativity Independence Resilience Reflection

Welcome to the beginning of a wonderful new school year and well done to all the children for settling so quickly into Year One. We have ahead of us an exciting term.

The team—Mrs Shrimpton and Mrs Lecompte

Home Learning The type of task should dictate the amount of time allocated for the task, however no child should be taking more than 30 minutes to complete. The children will be given six weeks worth of tasks. Please choose one task a week and return home learning books on Wednesday.

Reading Books will come home daily. Children should read at least 5 times a week, preferably to an adult. Mrs Lecompte will change the books daily, therefore, the children will be given one book only. Please also feel free to read a wide variety of genres at home.

Spellings The spellings are set based on the phonic group your child is working in plus two tricky spellings that are not phonetic. The spellings are given out on Friday and tested the following Friday.

Reminders School diaries should be handed in every morning, please use these as a means of home/school communication if appropriate.

Daily Mile Your child will continue to be offered the daily mile or yoga as an alternative.

Please ensure your child has a water bottle and full PE kit in school every day.

Explore, Discover, Create

Our Term 1 Geography topic for the whole school is called ‘Our World, Our Home’ and Plum Class will focus on Maps and plans of Hadlow and our school. We will **Enrich** our topic by visiting an orchard and receiving a visit from a farmer.

English We are using the books ‘Beegu’ by Alexis Deacon and ‘Where The Wild Things Are’ by Maurice Sendak to inspire our writing. We will also be singing and saying poems and rhymes, such as, ‘I had a Little Nut Tree’.

Mathematics We will be focusing on number and place value. Plum Class will practice counting to one hundred. We will begin to count in jumps of 2, 5 and 10. We will solve simple words problems in relation to place value.

Science Plum Class will think about the seasons and weather. We will also be learning about plants in relation to autumn and planting autumn bulbs. We will learn about and use our senses to explore.

Computing Plum Class will learn what it means to be online and how to keep safe.

Geography Plum Class will go on a field trip to discover the human and physical feature of our local area; including orchards. We will begin to be introduced to simple maps and plans. We will also consider the weather in the United Kingdom.

Art We will use different media to create trees and explore line and colour.

R.E Plum Class will explore the topic, ‘Who is a Christian and what do they believe?’

PSHE We will be introduced to the Programme Zippys’ friends. The first unit is called ‘feelings’. We will explore different feelings and how to deal with negative ones.

P.E Plum Class will have two sessions of P.E a week; one on Thursday and the second on Friday. This term we will learn the skills of the invasion games hockey and netball.

Music Plum Class will be listening to music inspired by seasons and weather. We will also explore the sounds of weather by using instruments.

