

English



Year 1

Term: Spring 1 —2026



“Our community, growing
and learning together with Christ”

Maths

Song of the Sea

Fiction Unit: Visual Narrative: Irish Folktale

Song of the Sea follows the story of a mute girl called May. She finds a magical shell that leads her to an adventure where she turns into a seal and goes on an underwater adventure. This beautiful folktale will inspire the children to write some wonderful and descriptive stories.



Real Life Events

Non-fiction Unit: Using our own experiences

In this unit, we shall think about special days, trips and events we have all been apart of as a class. Using these enrichment experiences we will learn to write recounts.

Skills: Writing sentences with capital letters and full stops, using exclamation marks, use of 'I' as a pronoun.

Spelling Focus: Digraph igh, digraph 'ar', vowel digraph 'er', 'ir' and 'ur', adding -er and -est.

Place Value (within 20)

Count within 20

10s and 1s within 20

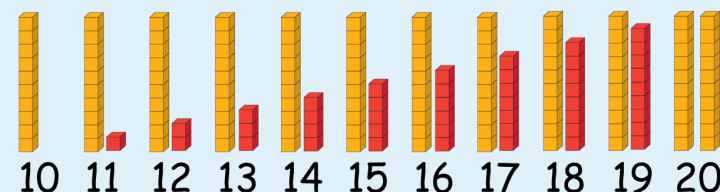
Count one more and one less

Compare numbers to 20

Order numbers to 20

Number patterns within 20

Comparing and ordering to 20 – problem solving with $<$, $>$, $=$



Addition and Subtraction (within 20)

Add by counting on within 20

Add ones using number bonds

Add by making 10

Subtract ones

Subtract by counting back within 20

Subtraction – crossing 10 (1s from 2-digit numbers)

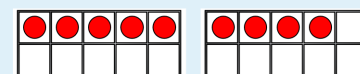
Related facts (merged – strong connection in fact family reasoning)

Compare number sentences

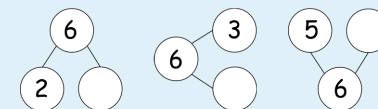
Missing number problems

Reasoning with number sentences – spotting true/false

How many counters?



Complete the bonds to 6



Art

Sculptured & 3D:

This unit introduces pupils to paper-based 3D art forms, focusing on techniques like rolling paper tubes, shaping paper strips, and constructing imaginative sculptures.



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Computing

Programming:

Algorithms Unplugged.

Understanding what an algorithm is, following instructions precisely to carry out an action and exploring virtual assistants.

D.T.

Simple Stitches:

Learning to make stitches with a needle and thread.

Geography

United Kingdom:

We shall learn the 4 countries of the UK, identify the 4 capital cities and explain the difference between human and physical features.

History

Toys: Past and Present

Describing similarities and differences, knowing how and why toys have changed over time and knowing how to ask questions and make comparisons with artefacts.

Music

Pitch: Super Heroes

This half term we shall be learning how to identify high and low notes and to compose a simple tune to represent a superhero.

P.E.

Ball Skills: Feet

Develop movement, dribbling and passing skills.

Dance: Growing

Learning how to move our bodies in lots of different ways.

R.S.H.E.

Emotional Well-being: Children will meet fictional characters to help learn. They will help children to understand and articulate their own changing feelings and how other people's feelings might differ from theirs. Children will learn how they can manage their feelings and about the consequences of their actions.

Religion

Christmas:

A celebration of Jesus.

Jesus— Teacher and Healer:

Jesus and his ministry.

Forgiveness: Its importance and how it is a gift to share.

Science

Plants:

Learning about different wild and common plants. They will look for wild plants in their local area and discuss plants that we can eat. Children will then look at trees and their basic features.