

General

We hope you all had a fantastic summer break and are ready to share the fun and adventures of Year One. We are very excited to welcome the children back to school for another great year at Holmer Green First School and Pre-School.

Important dates to remember

- 12th Oct: Superhero Drama Workshop
- 12th Oct: Jumpstart Jonny Sponsored Event
- 22nd Oct: Florence Nightingale History Day
- 23rd Oct: Rabbit Forest School
- 6th Nov: Hedgehog Forest School
- 19th Nov: Stay and Play
- 10th Dec: Yr1 & Rec Performance
- 11th Dec: Yr 1 & Rec Performance

Theme

Our theme this term is 'Lamp, Light, Action!'. Children will learn about Florence Nightingale, her journey to Scutari, Turkey, and why she is remembered. They will use maps, globes and compass directions, and explore hot and cold places. This links to Reception, when they cared for living things and learned about different places. In DT, they will design and make lamps.

After half-term, our theme is 'Ready, Steady, Gogh!'. Children will learn about Van Gogh and recreate his paintings using drawing, painting and clay. They will also compare his work to other artists. This links to Reception, when they mixed colours, painted and drew self-portraits.

Year One- Autumn Term



Maths

This term, we will focus on:

- Count, read and write numbers to 10.
- Count forwards and backwards from any number to 10.
- Find one more and one less.
- Compare and order numbers and groups of objects.
- Use ordinal numbers (1st, 2nd, 3rd...).
- Add numbers within 10 using number bonds, fact families and part-part-whole models.
- Add together, add more and subtract.
- Recognise and name 2D and 3D shapes.
- Begin to understand tens and ones in numbers to 20.

This builds on the children's previous learning in Reception where they practised counting, spotting patterns in numbers, using 10-frames, recognising doubles, and finding one more and one less.

English Literacy

In Literacy this term, the children will begin with The Colour Monster, a story about feelings. They will talk about different emotions and write simple sentences about how they feel at different times.

We will then explore Cave Baby by Julia Donaldson, where the children will write labels and captions before learning how to write informal letters. We will also read Lost and Found by Oliver Jeffers, using it to write character descriptions and to simply retell the story.

Throughout these units, the children will practise writing captions and sentences, developing their ideas into short narratives with more adventurous vocabulary. This builds on learning in Reception, where they practised writing CVC words and simple sentences using their phonics. They will continue to apply phonics to spell words and practise common exception words from memory.

Science

This term in Science, the children will learn about the basic parts of the human body and explore their five senses through fun, practical activities. After half term, the children will explore the theme of celebrations, investigating everyday materials, plants and light and discovering how each plays a part in different celebrations.

They will also observe and describe the seasonal changes from autumn to winter, building on their Reception learning where they began to notice and talk about the seasons and the changes they could see in the world around them.



Florence Nightingale was a nurse who worked to make hospitals safer and cleaner. She saved many lives during the **Crimean War**.

Early Life

Florence was born in 1820 in Florence, Italy. Her parents were British but were travelling in Italy at the time. She was named after the city she was born in. She had an older sister.

Florence grew up in England and was homeschooled by her father. She studied subjects including German, French, Italian and maths.

Training to Be a Nurse

Florence's parents wanted her to get married and have a family. This was what was usually expected of wealthy women at the time. Florence wanted to be a nurse instead and believed it was a calling from God. Her parents disagreed at first.

Florence studied nursing in Germany in 1851.

The Crimean War

Florence was asked to travel to the **Crimean War** to manage nurses who would treat wounded soldiers. They arrived at the hospital in 1854.

Many soldiers were ill with **infection**. The **sewer** underneath the hospital wasn't working properly and this was causing illness.

Florence helped arrange for it to be fixed, as well as focusing on cleaning, hand washing, better food and more comfort. The number of soldiers dying went down a lot.

After Crimea

Florence returned to England with many ideas for improving hospitals. She met with Queen Victoria to talk about what she had found out.

Florence published a book called 'Notes on Nursing' to help teach others about what she had learnt.

She set up the Nightingale Training School for Nurses at St Thomas' Hospital in London.

Florence was unwell and could not leave her home often but she kept working for change.

12th May 1820

Florence is born.

1854 - 1856

Florence is a nurse in the **Crimean War**.

1859

'Notes on Nursing' is published.

1883

Florence is awarded the Royal Red Cross.

1853

Florence is a nurse in England.

1856

Florence meets with Queen Victoria.

1860

The Nightingale Training School opens.

13th August 1910

Florence dies at home.

Vincent van Gogh

About the Artist

Born on 30th March, 1853.

He is from the Netherlands.

Van Gogh was 27 years-old when he painted his first painting.

Van Gogh is famous for cutting off a piece of his own ear!

He created about 900 paintings in just 10 years!

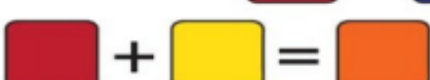
Vincent Van Gogh died in 1890, aged 37 years-old.

Van Gogh became famous after he died.

His most famous paintings are: 'A Starry Night', 'Sunflowers', and 'Irises'.



How to make secondary colours



The Four Seasons

autumn September October November	winter December January February
spring March April May	summer June July August

Science

Key Vocabulary

seasons	In the UK, there are four seasons each year. They are spring, summer, autumn and winter .
autumn	In autumn , the temperature begins to get lower and it can be quite chilly and windy. It starts to get darker earlier in the day. Some animals get ready to hibernate and some types of trees lose their leaves.
winter	Winter is the coldest season of the year. It can be very rainy and windy and it might even snow. Not many flowers are in bloom during winter and lots of trees have lost all their leaves. Some animals hibernate during winter and many are less active than in the warmer months.
weather	The weather includes the temperature outside, how windy it is and rainfall (how much it rains). We can also describe cloud, snow and sun.
daylight	Daylight is when it is light outside. The amount of daylight changes with each season .

autumn



winter



Key Vocabulary

senses

Humans have senses. Senses help us to understand the world.

sight



Sight is seeing things around you. Humans see with their eyes.

hearing



When a person hears, they are listening to sounds. The sense of hearing uses the ears.

touch



Your skin gives you the sense of touch. You can feel what things are like using your skin.

taste



The sense of taste comes from the tongue. Your tongue helps you to know what something tastes like.

smell



When you smell something, you use your nose.

Parts of the Human Body

